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Ordinances Affecting Merchants, Residents Fill Council Agenda

Ordinances that could have a huge effect on both the Borough's business and residential communities were on the agenda for Council's Tuesday, November 21 meeting.

Scheduled for discussion was an ordinance of particular concern to Borough merchants, one that would establish a Special Improvement District in the Borough's central and outlying commercial districts.

Under the ordinance, properties in the Special Improvement District would be taxed an additional 15 cents per $100 of assessed valuation. Using this formula, the Nassau Inn would pay an extra $26,907; Hulfish North an additional $28,500; and Summit Bank an extra $5,997, said Mayor Marvin Reed. In total, he expects some $400,000 would be raised from the special assessment.

Excluded from the Special Improvement District would be property owned and operated by the government; tax-exempt educational and utility properties; and properties that are 100 percent residential.

Revenues from the assessment could be used in a number of ways to enhance the district. They could help rehabilitate properties; provide security, sanitation, and other services; fund litter cleanup and control; improve or create landscaping, parking areas and facilities; publicize the district; recruit new businesses to fill store vacancies to help balance the business mix of the district; organize special events; and provide temporary decorative lighting.

Mayor Reed said he had been working on setting up a Special Improvement District for the past two or three years, and that he had gone to Borough Merchants for Princeton at the beginning of the year to discuss the possibility.

"They have never gotten back to me one way or the other, and with all the discussion I decided it was time to put it on the table," he said.

At a Princeton Future meeting in late October, the executive director

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Schools Seek Funds for Renovations

In preparation for the Princeton regional schools' construction referendum, an ad hoc committee of Princeton residents — chaired by Board Vice President Frank Strasburger — has been formed to advise the Princeton regional school board on funding sources that could supplement the property taxes and state grants available to the district.

[The district intends to submit a referendum question to voters on the school election ballot of April 17, asking for authorization to undertake a major school renovation and construction project.]

Calling itself the Referendum Resource Advisors, the ad hoc group has held two planning meetings. "Because we do not yet have a concrete plan [for the referendum]; and we don't know what or how much we will need to fund, the committee is now defining its purpose and deciding how to organize," stated Superintendent Claire Sheff Kohn. "During the next several months, it will determine what is appropriate."

[Board members hope to narrow construction options down to one design following a special board meeting on December 12.]

The committee numbers about 15 people, according to Mr. Strasburger, who said that until a construction option has been selected, there is little to be gained from talking to potential donors.

Dr. Kohn pointed out that the PRS district has a history of accepting donations for various programs and projects. "This committee appears to be a natural extension of that

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Sacred Heart Academy To Buy "Our Lady" Site

The Princeton Academy of the Sacred Heart expects to purchase the former Our Lady of Princeton property before the end of this year — for $8 million.

According to Eric Swartzentruber, the school's director of external affairs, closing on the property should take place sometime in mid-December.

Officials received word last week that the state Economic Development Authority had approved a loan to the school, enabling it to acquire the 43-acre site where the Roman

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TALKING TURKEY: Blissfully unaware of the fate in store for them, three turkeys gobbled away at the Lee Turkey Farm in East Windsor on Sunday. *(Photo by Charles Phox)*

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Drumthwacket Open House To Feature Holiday Decor

Drumthwacket, at 345 Stockton Street, will hold its Holiday Open House on four days this season, beginning November 29, from 11 to 2.

This year, as in the past, the Garden Club of New Jersey will decorate the public rooms of the New Jersey's Governor's residence. Lenox China, Lawrenceville, has also donated decorations.

Drawing inspiration from the 19th-century provenance of Drumthwacket, the rooms will be decorated with a theme of Victorian elegance. The long period of prosperity which continued to the latter half of the century has sometimes been called "The Gilded Age," because of its luminous style and the rich detail of its decorations.

Open House will also be held on Sunday, December 3; Wednesday, December 6; and Wednesday, December 13. The hours are 11 to 2. Reservations are not needed; admission is free; parking is available; and the gift shop will be open.

For more information, call 683-0057.

New Ordinances

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of Center City District Development in Philadelphia, Paul Levy, described how the Philadelphia Special Improvement District has helped the city. "What an SID does is give a mechanism to capture interest and energy, to work in partnership with city government to preserve what you have and add what you want," he said.

A major effort to establish an SID in the Borough was launched about a dozen years ago by Mayor Barbara Sigmund. Reaction by most merchants was negative, and the idea was shelved.

Laws on Overcrowding

The Tuesday night meeting agenda also includes the introduction of three ordinances aimed at dealing with overcrowding and litter. Last month, residents of the John-Witherspoon neighborhood came to Council to urge that measures be taken to deal with these problems.

The first ordinance states that landlords and/or tenants will no longer be given 30 days to remove abandoned, inoperable or unregistered vehicles from their property. It will now be a violation to store an abandoned vehicle on a property, for any period of time, other than in an enclosed garage.

The second ordinance allows the Borough to file a summons and complaint for a second time without first issuing another notice of violation. This would affect owners of rental properties who have been issued numerous repeat notices for violations of the rental housing code.

The third ordinance amends the rental housing code to allow the issuance of a summons and complaint without prior notice of violation where there have been violations bearing directly on health and safety.

Also on the agenda was a discussion of a draft ordinance that would redefine "overcrowding" to include factors that have consistently been found to indicate this condition. These include the occupation of areas of a building, such as basements and attics, prohibited under the Borough's rental housing code; the existence of mattresses and bedding materials in these areas; the existence of cooking appliances and refrigeration units in various areas of a dwelling unit in addition to those located in the kitchen; and the parking of vehicles on the property in excess of those allowed by the zoning code.

The goal of these changes is to obtain a conviction of overcrowding based on a preponderance of evidence, rather that relying solely on physical observation of an excessive number of occupants.

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Sub-Station Fire Causes Evacuation

Some businesses, including the Princeton Public Library, had to be evacuated on Sunday night due to a fire and explosion at the Public Service Electric & Gas Company sub-station on Wiggins Street.

At 7:25 p.m., a 26,000 volt cable caught fire, causing the mishap. No one was injured, and no customers were affected. The station continued operating, although the extent of the damage is not known.

The businesses and library were evacuated as a precautionary measure, and sections of Wiggins, Spring and Tulane Streets were blocked off until about 8:45 p.m.

High School to Hold Receptions for Alumni

The Princeton High School PTO will hold two alumni holiday receptions in the main office conference room at the high school — on November 22 and December 22. Both receptions will take place from 10 to 1. All alumni are welcome.

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STEP UP TO THE MIKE: Louise Athens, dressed as a Native American Indian girl, introduces a song called "Turkey Dinner" Monday at Community Park School during dress rehearsal of the kindergarteners' Thanksgiving program. *(Photo by Steve Allen)*

Key to Creating Affordable Housing Here Is Free Land, Say Princeton Future Panelists

Five members of the Princeton community, all involved in various aspects of affordable housing, spoke at last Sunday afternoon's meeting of Princeton Future. They were members of a panel, "Affordable Housing in Princeton," moderated by Yina Moore.

The good news delivered to the two dozen members of the audience was that Princeton has a genuine record of accomplishment in providing affordable housing. The less than good news was that rising land costs are making it increasingly difficult to develop such housing.

In the past 62 years, Princeton has developed 778 affordable housing units, out of a total of 9,200 residential units, said David Kinsey, a board member of Princeton Community Housing.

"Rare is the community in the state that has this record of accomplishment," said Mr. Kinsey. "Morristown, for example, has 470 affordable units out of 7,000 dwelling units."

TOPICS Of the Town

Mr. Kinsey provided a breakdown of Princeton's 778 units, which include housing managed by the Princeton Housing Authority and Princeton Community Housing. Both Princeton Borough and Princeton Township were instrumental in the development of this housing, and it exists in both municipalities.

He also provided a listing of total proposed affordable dwellings in Princeton, which totaled 90. These include units on Maclean Street, Shirley Court, Elm Court II, and Hiller-South's Garage, as well as six units on Leigh Avenue in the Borough which are slated to be redeveloped.

The three South's Garage units will be provided in line with the Borough ordinance requiring that one affordable unit be built for each five units developed.

Marcy Crimmins, former director of the Princeton Housing Authority, noted that there are four entities in Princeton that deal with affordable Housing: the Borough, the Township, Princeton Housing Authority, and Princeton Community Housing. "I always felt it was incredibly difficult for families and seniors to deal with four different guidelines without a central place to get information," she said.

She added that not one of the affordable housing developments has less than a one-year waiting list, and that the list is even longer for single people. Many of the residents of Princeton's affordable units work for, or are retired from, the Princeton Medical Center and Princeton University, she said.

A board member of Habitat for Humanity, Peter Madison, said Habitat was now working on its second Princeton house, at 52 Leigh Avenue in the Township. The first of the Habitat houses is on Lytle Street in the Borough. Both sites were contributed by the municipalities.

Even with the volunteer labor, he said, a Habitat house ends up costing $60,000. Because of the cost of the land, Habitat cannot afford to acquire sites in Princeton, Mr. Madison said, adding that it is also difficult to get enough pro bono architectural work.

Michael Floyd discussed the services provided by the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Agency, and Mike Gecan provided a look at how a significant amount of affordable housing has been developed in New York City.

Mr. Gecan, of the Industrial Area Foundation, works with

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DRESS REHEARSAL: Kindergarten students from Mrs. Wepplo's, Mrs. Goodwin's, Mrs. Aguiler's and Mrs. Sheena's class presented a dress rehearsal of their Thanksgiving program to students and teachers on Monday. (Photo by Steve Allen)

Princeton Future

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the Nehemiah Plan, which has built 2,700 affordable townhouses in East Brooklyn since 1984. The key, he said, is obtaining free land. The houses cost $100,000 to build and the number of applicants is unlimited. "My guess is that there is land here," he said.

Nehemiah has managed, with some small subsidies, to bring the down payment on houses down to $6,000 or $7,000 and the monthly carrying cost between $600 and $700.

Picking up on the topic of land cost in Princeton, Borough Mayor Marvin Reed said the lowest price for a house that was no longer habitable would be $100,000. Such a house would most likely have to be demolished before a new affordable unit is built.

Each of the 12 affordable and market-rate units now under construction on Shirley Court and Maclean Street will cost approximately $100,000, said Mr. Reed. The Borough donated both sites.

Princeton Future has scheduled two more community events. On December 3, there will be a presentation by the Planning and Design Task Force, and on December 10, Thomas K. Wright of the New Jersey Office of State Planning will discuss "Princeton as a Center in the Region."

Both meetings will be held at 4 p.m. in Lower Level Conference Room A at Princeton University's Frist Campus Center, Washington Road opposite Ivy Lane.

The goal of Princeton Future — a recently formed, privately funded leadership organization — is to enable business, civic, institutional and neighborhood stakeholders to work in partnership with local government to ensure Princeton's continued vitality.

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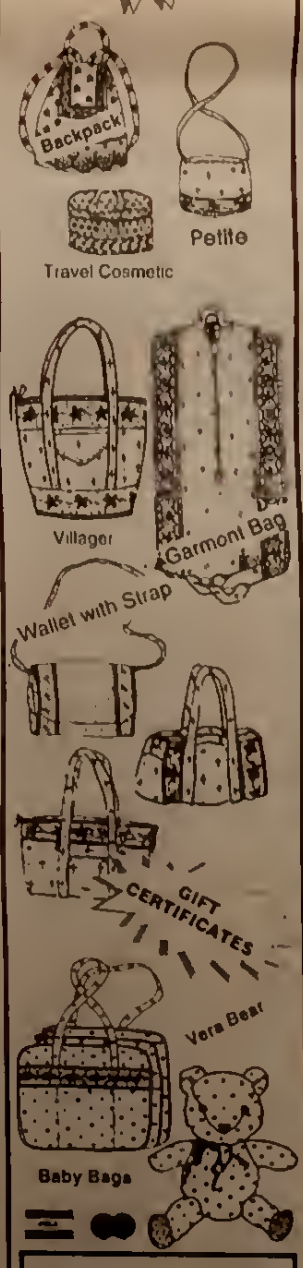

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Same Man Arrested Twice In Two Days For Trespassing

Police responded to the Old Graduate College, at 1:23 a.m. November 18 after receiving a report of an unwanted trespasser there. Upon their arrival, Princeton University Department of Public Safety officers were detaining Harrison Obwocha Ongwenyi, 27, of Monmouth Junction.

He was found on the grounds of the Old Graduate College, and had been previously warned to stay off campus. Borough police arrested him, and he was charged with trespassing. He was released on his own recognizance and is scheduled to appear in court November 27.

Ongwenyi was arrested again on November 20 at 2:42 a.m. for trespassing at the Old Graduate College. He was released on his own recognizance, and will answer to a second charge of trespassing on November 27.

Hot CDs

Borough police responded to the Princeton Record Exchange, South Tulane Street, on October 15 after receiving a report that an employee was detaining a person trying to sell stolen CDs to the store. Police investigation revealed that David Mullis, 29, of Plainsboro, came into the store on November 6 and sold 30 CDs which were stolen from Barnes and Noble.

Mullis also tried to sell 11 stolen CDs from Barnes and Noble to the Princeton Record Exchange on November 15. He was arrested and taken to Borough headquarters. While there, police discovered he had marijuana [under 50g.] in his possession.

He was charged with fencing stolen property, receiving stolen property, and possession of a controlled dangerous substance [marijuana under 50g], was released on his own recognizance, and is scheduled to appear in court November 27.

On November 14 at 9 p.m., police investigated an assault that occurred on Witherspoon Street. Investigation revealed that Martin Cuamatzi, 36, Witherspoon Street, kicked a 39-year-old female in the leg, causing a bruise.

Cuamatzi was arrested in Plainsboro by Borough officer Gary Mitchell, Detective Chris Quaste and an officer from the Plainsboro Police Department. He was taken to Borough police headquarters, was charged with assault, and was released on $2,500 bail.

Burglaries/Thefts

Police said that on November 16 Princeton University Department of Public Safety officer Wilson Aviles saw 41-year-old Michael A. Diana of Hartford, Connecticut, pulling at bicycles on the rack at Woodrow Wilson Fountain on the University campus.

Officer Aviles watched as Diana began kicking at the bicycles, and then the officer saw him take a rim and axle off one of the bikes. The officer called for assistance, and was met by Proctor Flanders of the department.

Aviles and Flanders detained Diana until the Borough police arrived. Upon their arrival, Diana was arrested for theft and criminal mischief. He was charged with the same, and was released on his own recognizance.

A 19-year-old Westminster Choir College student was the victim of a burglary and theft on November 7. Someone entered her unlocked 1993 Plymouth Acclaim that was parked in the Hulfish Street parking garage, and stole a $300 Bell Atlantic flip phone and $20 cash.

An unknown person stole a bag containing a $150 tan, hip length L.L Bean winter coat, and Gap boxer shorts, valued at $40, from a 19-year-old Princeton University student on November 6. The bag was left outside of the victim's dorm room at 1937 Hall.

Stolen Purse

Between 11:30 p.m. November 11, and 1:30 a.m. November 12, someone removed a 23-year-old Borough resident's wallet from her purse and stole various credit cards, identification cards, and $8 cash. Police said the victim left her purse in an unattended coat room

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Valentine's Day Opening Seen For Renovated Garden Theatre

Princeton University is hoping that The Garden Theatre will reopen February 14, 2001, Valentine's Day, according to Pamela Hersh, director of community and state affairs.

In August, the University announced a major renovation of the 80-year-old theater. At the time, hopes were high that the Nassau Street movie house would reopen in November.

Even though there was an effort to do the work quickly, issues arose during the renovation of the building, said Ms. Hersh. One of these involved the presence of asbestos in roofing materials. In order to work on this, applications for environmental permits were required, and this extended the process, she said.

"It will take longer than we wanted it to, but we want to do it right rather than do it fast," said Ms. Hersh. She also noted that the cost of the renovation will be more than the $600,000 originally estimated, but couldn't say at this time what the final cost will be.

Owned by the University, the Garden Theatre is leased to Theatre Management Corporation in New York City through 2008. Theatre Management has operated the Garden since 1993.

Included in the renovation will be new seats, bathrooms, and projection and sound equipment. The roof and electrical system will be repaired, the balcony removed, and, if the budget permits, some stadium seating will be provided.

Ms. Hersh said the University plans a community event to mark the reopening of The Garden, and that she might turn to the Arts Council for help in planning this.

—Myrna K. Bearse

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FULBRIGHT TEACHER & STUDENTS: Joyce Tatsch, a Primary teacher at the Princeton Montessori School, with some of her students, ages 3-5. Ms. Tatsch traveled to Japan a week ago to participate in a three-week study-visit, as part of the Year 2000 Fulbright Memorial Fund Teacher Program. Funded by the Japanese government, the program provides American teachers with opportunities to interact with Japanese teachers and students; to meet local and regional government and industry personnel; and to spend a weekend with a Japanese host family. Ms. Tatsch is also an instructor for the Princeton Center for Teacher Education.

Topics of the Town

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at the Tower Club, Prospect Avenue. The victim later found her wallet in the club with all of its contents missing.

Someone stole a $100 J. Crew coat, a $5 black canvas wallet containing $15 cash and credit cards, and keys on a blue and red cloth necklace, between 12 and 1:30 a.m. November 18. The items were left unattended in the "D" Bar at the Old Graduate College.

A 17-year-old Princeton juvenile was the victim of theft between 9 p.m. November 18, and 5:30 p.m. November 19. At that time, someone entered his unlocked detached garage and stole his Black, 21-speed, GT Aggressor Mountain Bike valued at $600.

Police reported a case of shoplifting that occurred at Ann Taylor, Palmer Square. Someone entered the store between 2:15 and 3 p.m. November 12 and stole nine pink, silk sweaters, valued at $118 each, from a display rack.

Borough Sergeant Donald Dawson stopped a Princeton man on November 6 for failure to stop at a traffic signal. Dawson arrested John Theoharis, 31, North Harrison Street, for driving while intoxicated, and he was charged at Borough headquarters for the same. Theoharis was released on his own recognizance, and will appear in court November 27.

Party Crashers

On November 16 at 8:32 p.m., Borough police were called to the Ivy Inn, 248 Nassau Street, on a report of unwanted patrons. During their investigation at the bar, Ronald Godwin, 43, of Virginia, told police he was "Angel Godwin", and gave a false social security number and driver's license information.

Police discovered that the man's true identity is Ronald Godwin, and that he was wanted on a motor vehicle warrant from Pennsauken Township. Godwin was arrested and was issued a complaint summons for hindering apprehension.

His bail was set at $139 for the Pennsauken warrant, and he was turned over to the Pennsauken Township Police Department. He is scheduled to appear in court December 18. The other party involved was Michael Diana of Manchester, Connecticut, but he was not charged with any offense.

Police arrested a Princeton man for possession of a controlled dangerous substance [crack cocaine] and possession of drug paraphernalia on November 17. David Jackson, 45, of Birch Avenue, was initially arrested on Trenton Municipal Court warrants for failure to appear in criminal court.

When police searched him, they found crack cocaine and a crack pipe in his possession. He was released on his own recognizance for the Borough charges, and was turned over to the Trenton Police Department. His bail was set at $2,135 for the Trenton warrants. He is scheduled to appear in court November 27.

Township Crime

Township police reported the theft of a man's Trek mountain bike that was locked to a rack at the rear of an apartment building on Alexander Road. The bike was stolen between October 1 and November 13.

A woman's Roadmaster mountain bike was left unsecured in the courtyard of Forbes Annex, Princeton University, and was stolen between 2 p.m. November 13 and 9 a.m. November 14.

Someone stole a Huffy woman's 10-speed mountain bike that was locked to itself, between 6 p.m. November 17 and 7:30 p.m. November 19. The bike was left at the Forbes College Annex.

Between 7 a.m. November 5 and 6 p.m. November 16 someone stole $559 cash from the women's locker room at DiNunzio Pool. Police said 11 victims had cash stolen from personal effects that were left in the locker room while they used the pool.

Someone smashed out the rear window of a 1997 Buick with an unknown object between 4 p.m. November 13 and 8:20 a.m. November 14. Police said the car was parked on the street at Caldwell Drive when the incident occurred.

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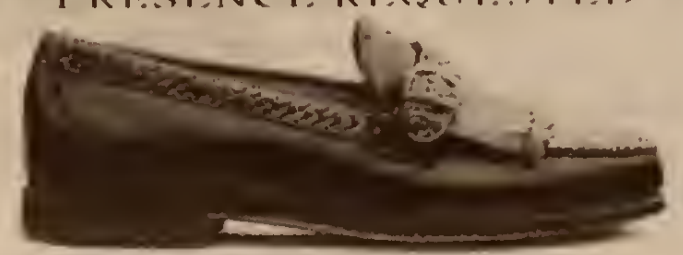

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TRENTON ROUNDUP

Water Quality

The Whitman administration unveiled new water quality rules last week that would tighten standards for some pollutants that are released into lakes and streams, and will also subject certain new discharges to a higher level of scrutiny.

The rules tighten standards for lead and prohibit new discharges of some toxic chemicals — like mercury — that do not break down easily. Robert Shinn, commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection, said the proposed rules would heighten protections for endangered species, as well as drinking water supplies.

Critics point out, however, that sewage treatment plants and other industrial plants that have obtained permits for millions of gallons of waste will not be subject to the stricter reviews.

Mall Development Aid

A bill that is now moving through the State Legislature — S-1272 — would help mall developers by offsetting their costs for highway ramps, parking lots, land grading and sewers, by permitting them to retain up to half the sales taxes collected by their merchants, for up to 25 years.

Jeff Tittel, director of the New Jersey chapter of the Sierra Club, calls the bill's provisions welfare for developers, or "sprawl-fare."

Supporters say mall builders do not promote sprawl, but focus their projects, according to project density. A number of states have enacted similar measures to simulate job growth, they say.

Upgrading Research

The state has awarded a total of $6.5 million to six universities — including Princeton — to help them upgrade their research facilities. Princeton will use the state aid for genomics research. Upgraded facilities are expected, in turn, to attract more federal research grants.

In addition to Princeton, the universities that received grants are Rutgers, Seton Hall, Stevens Institute of Technology, the NJ Institute of Technology, and the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey. Their areas of research include biotechnology, pharmaceuticals, and medical devices.

The state will invest an additional $3.5 million in matching funds, under a plan approved by the state commission on Higher Education.

Ticket Quotas Outlawed

On November 20, the New Jersey Assembly unanimously approved a bill that prohibits municipal police departments from setting quotas on the number of arrests or traffic tickets expected from their officers.

The bill also prohibits police departments from using the number of tickets written as the sole or primary basis for evaluating an officer's performance. A spokesperson for Governor Christine Whitman said that the governor opposes ticket quotas, but would have to review the bill before deciding whether to sign it.

The New Jersey police chiefs' association argued against the measure, saying it would restrict their ability to evaluate officers.

Dangerous Dogs

State Senator Shirley Turner has introduced legislation requiring a court to declare a dog "potentially dangerous" if the canine seriously injures another domestic animal. The measure — approved by the Senate Economic Growth, Agriculture and Tourism Committee on November 13 —now awaits action before the full Senate.

Under Senator Turner's bill, a municipal court could impose fines up to $1,000 per day for dog owners whose canines were not neutered after it had been determined they seriously injured another domestic animal.

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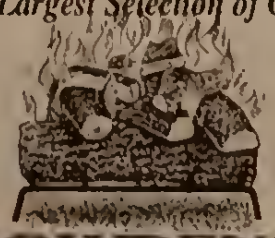

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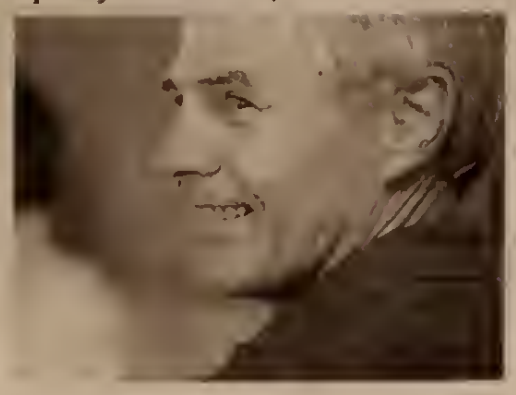

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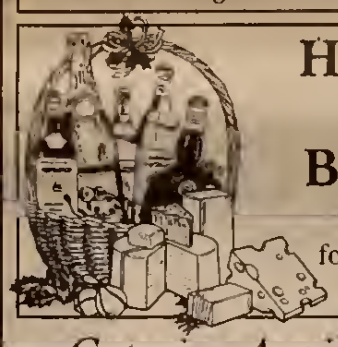

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ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT: Princeton High School senior Lauren Parker, left, scored in the top 5 percent of more than 110,000 black Americans in the 2001 National Achievement Scholarship Program. Also with PHS Principal John Kazmark, second from left, are PHS seniors Shara Marrerro and David T. Holzman, Scholar Finalists in the National Hispanic Recognition Program. They are among 3,000 Hispanic students who have been selected nationwide, as a result of their achievement on the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test.

University Student Sexually Assaulted In Her Dorm Room

An 18-year-old Princeton University student was sexually assaulted on November 14 while she and her boyfriend were asleep in her bed at Forbes College on the university campus.

Borough police said Kamal Alexis Aqui, 19, of Silver Spring, Maryland, entered the room at 4 a.m., climbed on top of the victim, and began sexually molesting her. Aqui was surprised by the victim's boyfriend, who woke up and chased him out of the room. The victim slept through the attack.

According to one report, Department of Public Safety officials said the victim was intoxicated and unconscious at the time of the incident. An official at the department would not confirm or deny the report, saying, "We have no comment."

Recognized Suspect

The victim's boyfriend recognized Aqui as a student at the university, and identified him from a "face book." Following a two-day police investigation, Acqui was arrested at 8 a.m. November 16 while in his dorm room. He was taken to Borough police headquarters for questioning. There he admitted entering the room and sexually assaulting the victim.

Aqui also told police he was intoxicated at the time of the incident, and didn't know the victim's boyfriend was in the room. He was charged with burglary, first degree aggravated sexual assault and third degree aggravated criminal sexual contact. He was arraigned in Borough Municipal Court and taken to the Mercer County Corrections Center.

Police said there were no signs of forceful entry into the room at the time of the incident, and said the door was apparently unlocked.

"With most burglaries on campus, there are unlocked doors," said Borough captain Charles Davall. Princeton University students are being urged to lock their doors, and have been sent letters reminding them of the same.

Davall said the victim was taken to Capital Health Center at Fuld in Trenton the day of the attack so hair samples could be collected. He said it is "part of our procedure after a sexual assault." The victim was not physically injured during the assault.

Community Tree-Lighting Ceremony Planned in WW

West Windsor will hold its fourth annual holiday tree lighting and fireworks celebration on Sunday, December 3, at 7. Organized by the West Windsor Division of the Mercer County Chamber of Commerce and sponsored by MarketFair, the event will be held at the corner of Clarksville and Princeton-Hightstown Road, West Windsor.

Festivities will begin with the arrival of Santa Claus aboard a West Windsor Fire Company fire truck. High school and the middle school musical groups will perform. Mayor Carole Carson will light the tree; and a fireworks display will immediately follow.

The program will include Hanukkah songs, as well as a community sing-along. Local Girl Scout troops will distribute candy canes; and the Hyatt Regency Hotel will provide hot cider. Free parking will be available at the West Windsor-Plainsboro High School South Campus.

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COMMENDED SCHOLARS: Four seniors at Stuart Country Day School have been named Commended Students in the 2001 National Merit Scholarship Program. They are, form left Victoria Wiseman (Princeton), Erin MacKay (Skillman), and Princeton residents Leslie Thompson and Annie Grabowski. They were among the top five percent of students who took the 1999 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship qualifying test.

Landscaping Plan For Historic Campus Underway Now

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Landscape architects Quennell Rothschild & Partners of New York City have developed a five-year master plan that is intended to enhance the open spaces in the historic part of the Princeton University campus surrounding Nassau Hall.

In order to understand the evolution of these spaces, the architects reviewed old documents and photos in the University archives. In some cases, their recommendations center on returning parts of the campus to their original look.

Their goals include improving the circulation system of walkways, bikeways and roadways as well as creating a consistent philosophy for replacing and enhancing plantings.

Work began this summer on implementing phase one of the plan. Hamilton Courtyard was completely transformed over the past several months.

"The border shrubs had grown so high that they practically covered the windows, not to mention the vista through the arch into the courtyard," said Peter Rothschild, one of the landscape architects. "That was never the intent of the original design."

Working from a photograph taken in the 1950s, Mr. Rothschild developed a plan that involved removing and replacing the border shrubs; widening the diagonal walk; removing a diseased horse chestnut that had been a focal point in the courtyard and replacing it with a magnolia; and installing "up lighting" along the base of the surrounding buildings. The final touch will be restoring the spherical finials on the stone railing along the porch.

Work also began this summer on Lockhart Courtyard. The crew cleared vegetation covering an entire embankment and replaced it with a few trees, once again opening the vista through the arch. New stair handrails were installed at Blair, and a ramp north of the University Store is scheduled to be redone in the spring.

In the summer of 2001, the area bordered by Blair, Joline and Campbell halls, the landscape near Alexander Hall and the green north of Nassau Hall will be renovated. In 2002, the grounds surrounding Whig, Clio and Murray-Dodge are slated for work. The following year, construction is scheduled for Cannon Green and the landscape around Witherspoon, West College, East Pyne, Chancellor Green and the Joseph Henry House.

The final phase in 2004 is expected to involve the Holder Courtyard and the areas surrounding Madison, Holder and Hamilton halls as well as the grounds closest to Nassau and Stanhope halls.

The plan for the historic section of campus is only one part of the work Quennell Rothschild is undertaking at Princeton. The University hired the firm to help oversee the entire landscaping process on campus.

Hospital Reports Births To 14 Area Residents

The Medical Center at Princeton reported 14 births to area residents for the two weeks ending November 15.

Daughters were born to Surendra and Vani Sunkara, Plainsboro, November 3; Charles K. Hogshire and Maria E. Shepard, Princeton, October 26; Ambarish and Mithra Shenoy, Princeton, November 3; Honoch Sheinman and Debbie Sheinman-Taylor, Princeton, November 5; Thomas and Barbara Schweitzer, Princeton, November 7; and to Jeffrey and Michael Glasberg, Skillman, November 7.

Daughters were born, as well, to Anthony and Lisa Lombardi, West Windsor, November 12; and to Kevin and Ellen Clancey, Princeton Junction, November 14.

Sons were born to Troy and Heather Greenfield, Hopewell, November 6; Douglas and Mary Brodowski, Pennington, November 6; Robert and Heather Ruezinsky, Belle Mead, November 7; and to Volker Antes and Abby Arnold, Princeton Junction, November 3.

Sons were also born to John and Karen Ellis, Princeton, November 11; and to Brian and Lesley Meincke, Lawrenceville, November 15.

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AN INSPIRATION TO ALL: Dr. John Kazmark, Princeton High School principal, honored senior cheerleader Lisa Goldschmidt during halftime of the PHS-Ewing football game Saturday afternoon. Seniors on the football team were honored as well for their team spirit and dedication. *(Photo by Charles Phox)*

Library to Hold Programs for Adults In December

The Princeton Public Library, 65 Witherspoon Street, will offer a full calendar of events for adults in December, beginning with a talk on cutting-edge computer technology and wrapping up with a book discussion over coffee.

The library's series of Tuesday Technology Talks will continue on December 5, at 7. Ira Fuchs, vice president for information technology at the Andrew Mellon Foundation and senior technology adviser to the Princeton University president, will demonstrate two emerging information resources designed to improve access to journal texts and images. Coffee and dessert will be served at 6:30.

A program designed for Princeton's Latino community, "Gente y Cuentos," (People and Stories), will feature weekly two-hour discussions of Latin American short stories. The program will begin on December. Works by authors such as Isabel Allende and Julio Ramon Ribeiro will be discussed in Spanish at the 7 p.m. sessions led by Angelica Mariani.

Traditional Celtic music will fill the second floor meeting room on December 9, when harpist Debbie Brewin-Wilson will perform a concert at 2 p.m. Ms. Brewin-Wilson, a former Scottish Harp Society of America National Amateur Champion, will play a 45-minute set, followed by a question-and-answer session as part of the library's Chords of Community concert series.

House of Sand and Fog, Andre Dubus III's novel examining the complexities of love, justice, and the search for the American dream, will be the featured work of the Book Discussion Groups on December 11, at 7:30; and December 14, at 10:30. Paperback copies of the work will be available for purchase at the Information Desk.

"Readings over Coffee," on December 13, will feature a program titled, "Celebrating the Season: Christmas and Haunkkah," along with readings from *Poems for Guys*. Pat O'Connor will be the reader at the 10:30 program; and refreshments will be available 15 minutes before the readings.

The "Book Bites" discussion group will meet on December 28, at noon. Participants will bring their lunches and discuss what they are reading. The library will provide coffee, tea, and dessert.

Register for all programs at the Information Desk, or by calling the library, at 924-9529, ext. 221. Library programs are made possible through the generosity of the Friends of the Library.

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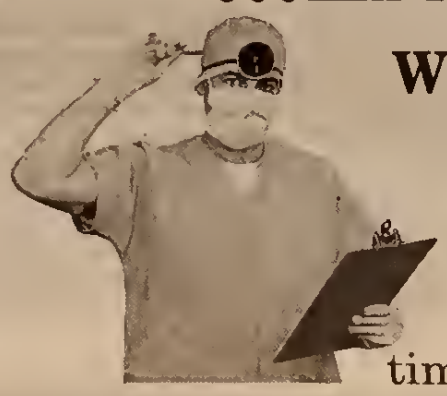

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HIS FINAL GAME: Senior Andrew Caprariello, a quarterback on the Princeton High School football team, was honored along with other seniors on the varsity football team and the cheerleading squad during halftime of the PHS-Ewing game on Saturday. Andrew's parents, Chuck and Linda, joined him on the field. *(Photo by Charles Phox)*

Tree Lighting Will Begin Festivities Friday Evening

Palmer Square will kick off the holiday season with its annual Tree Lighting Spectacular on Friday, November 24 at 5.

The 65-foot Norwegian spruce will be adorned with 32,000 multi-colored lights and will be lit with the help of Santa Claus. The lighting of the tree — which will be preceded by a 20-minute performance by the Princeton High School Choir — will feature performances by the Nassau Presbyterian Church Choir and the Nassau Brass.

The tree lighting marks the start of the holiday activities that will continue every weekend through Christmas Eve. This year, the strolling musical groups include a Dickensian-costumed quartet, several brass groups, and a sax quintet, The groups will perform on Palmer Square each Saturday and Sunday between 1 and 3. Holiday event schedules are available in all Palmer Square Shops.

Visitors to Princeton will enjoy old fashioned horse and carriage rides between noon and 4 each weekend from Saturday, November 25 through Sunday, December 31. The rides, which will start and depart from the corner of Nassau and Witherspoon Streets, will take passengers on a 15-minute tour of downtown Princeton and will cost $20 per ride (limit four adults, two small children). Discount coupons for the horse and carriage rides can be picked up at One Palmer Square.

Santa Claus will stroll throughout Palmer Square and downtown Princeton every Saturday and Sunday between noon and 4 from Saturday, November 25 through Saturday, December 23.

Shoppers can enjoy free holiday parking in Hulfish and Chambers Street garage between Thanksgiving and New Year's Eve — Monday through Saturday, from 5 to 10 and Sundays 10 to 10 with a Palmer Square store validation.

Patrons may park at Princeton Gamma Tech, located on Route 518, 100 yards east of the Routes 206-Route 518 intersection. (There is a "Train Show" banner across Route 518.) Tickets are available at the parking lot; and shuttle buses run back and forth between the parking lot and the show.

For more information, call 921-9276.

Pacific Southern Model Railway Show to Open

The Rocky Hill Fire Department and Rocky Hill Rescue Squad, along with the Pacific Southern Railway model train club, will hold their 37th annual Christmas show on the weekends of December 2 and 3, and December 9 and 10.

The club's members own the trains that are shown during each show. There will be approximately 28 trains, with up to 100 cars, each operating at one time over the various terrains. Trains will pass through several towns and cross several mountain ranges.

Each show lasts for about one hour; show times are 10, 11, 12 noon, 1:30, 3:30, and 4:30. Admission is $5; and all proceeds will benefit the Rocky Hill Volunteer Fire Company and Rocky Hill First Aid Squad.

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Muldoon Writes Two Poems For Wilde Memorial

Two poems by Paul Muldoon, director of Princeton University's Program in Creative Writing, will be officially unveiled in England next month by the Reading Borough Council to mark the centennial of Oscar Wilde's death.

Wilde, the renowned 19th-century Irish playwright, poet and novelist, fell from grace when he was sent to jail for two years of hard labor for "the crime of homosexuality." He spent the sentence at several jails, the last at Reading. Three years after he was released, he died poor in a Paris hotel room on November 30, 1900.

A century later, the Reading Borough Council commissioned Paul Muldoon to write an epitaph to Wilde for a memorial. His two Wilde poems will be a permanent part of the memorial — a walkway featuring a set of gates that open onto Chestnut Walk, which runs between the prison and the Kennet River. These gates will carry an inscription of Prof. Muldoon's poem, "The Gate":

As I roved out between a gaol
And a river in spate
in June as like as January
I happened on a gate
which, though it lay wide open,
would make me hesitate.

I was so long a prisaner
that, though I now am free,
the thought that I serve some sentence
is so ingrained in me
that I still wait for a warder
to come and turn the key.

"The phenomenon I describe in the poem is one that is quite familiar apparently to a lot of prisoners," Prof. Muldoon said. "When they come out of prison, they say they cannot bear somehow to open a door for themselves. They are so used to the idea of somebody opening it for them, which is a very striking thought, and that's what I hoped to incorporate in that little image."

In addition to the gates, the walk features a laser-cut fence and three benches that line the river's edge. A wooden plank cast in metal — the same size as the one on which Wilde slept while he was imprisoned — is the only seat on the prison-side of the walk.

Engraved in the bench will be the second poem from Muldoon:

A stone-breaker on his stone bed
lay no less tightly curled
than Opposite-leaved Saxifrage
that even now, unfurled,
has broken through, its wall of walls
into this other world.

With *The Bed*, Prof. Muldoon said he was trying to summon up images of hard labor and the sadness and longing of a prisoner.

He said the poems are somewhat based on the stanza pattern of *The Ballad of Reading Gaol*, a somber poem written by Wilde about the execution of an inmate.

Prof. Muldoon plans to read the poems at Princeton as part of a local commemoration of Wilde's death at 4:30 p.m. Friday, December 1 in the James Stewart Theater at 185 Nassau Street. In addition to Prof. Muldoon, Princeton professors Michael Cadden, Lawrence Danson, Jeff Nunkawa and Elaine Showalter will discuss Wilde's work.

Paul Muldoon, who was born in County Armagh, Northern Ireland, has won the Irish Times Literature Prize, the American Academy of Arts and Letters Award in Literature, and other honors.

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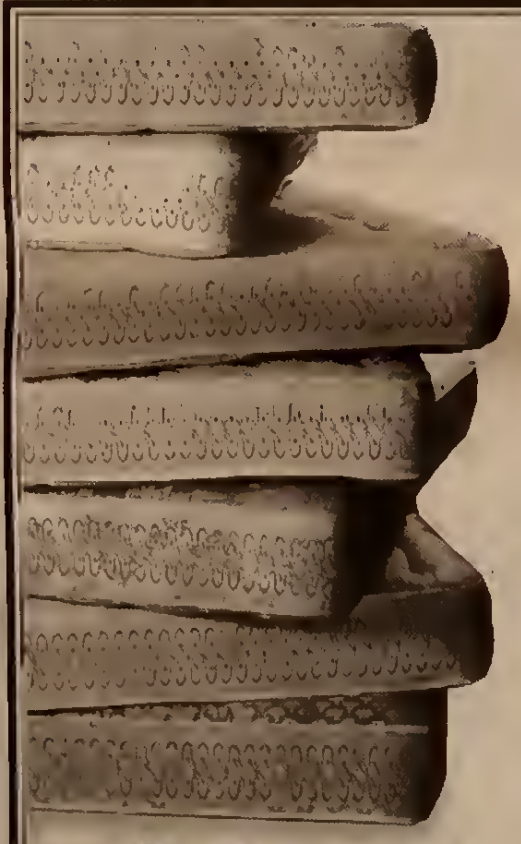

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Curtain Calls Participants Are Sought by Arts Council

This New Year's Eve, the Arts Council's annual Curtain Calls festivities will focus on activities for families. The group is currently seeking area entertainers wishing to perform at this nonalcoholic community-wide event.

The Arts Council is also looking for sites in downtown Princeton to serve as venues for the performers. Churches, nonprofits and other organizations interested in participating should call the Arts Council.

In addition, the Arts Council is seeking individuals to volunteer their time at Curtain Calls. Volunteers will receive free admission to the events going on throughout the evening. They are needed for different time slots between 5 p.m. and 12:30 a.m.

Anyone wishing to perform, provide a venue, or volunteer should call Karen at the Arts Council, 924-8777.

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U.S. Trust Company of NJ To Open Office Downtown

U.S. Trust Company of New Jersey will open a new office at 51 Hulfish Street, during the second week of December.

The staff at the new site will be headed by Christine Stives, senior vice president of Private Banking. She will be joined by three other banking professionals — Mary Ann McCloughan, Judith Oliver, and Christine Mahler — each of whom currently works at U.S. Trust Company headquarters on Vaughn Drive. Trust portfolio managers and trust officers will be available to meet with clients at either location.

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Parents' Role in Reading, Education to Be Examined

Parents can play a critical role in preparing their child to learn to read and in coaching their child with reading at home. To help parents of pre-schoolers through third graders with this important task, the Newgrange Educational Outreach Center and Stuart Country Day School of the Sacred Heart will sponsor "Learning to Read: What's the Role of the Parent?" with Susan Hall 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, November 29.

The workshop will inform parents about the latest research on reading development. Ms. Hall will also offer practical tips for activities and games to do at home, strategies for coaching reluctant readers. The program will review the warning signs of reading difficulties so parents will know what to do if their child is struggling.

Susan Hall is the co-author of *Stroight Talk obout Reoding* and will begin a term on the International Dyslexia Association's Board of Directors in January, 2001. A frequent speaker on the topic of reading, Ms. Hall also has been interviewed by national media including Newsweek and National Public Radio.

The Newgrange Outreach Center, located at 600 College Road East in Princeton, offers workshops and resources to respond to the educational, social and professional needs of individuals with learning disabilities, their families and professionals, businesses and community organizations in the tri-state area.

Learning to Read: What's the Role of the Parent? will be held at Stuart Country Day School, 1200 Stuart Road. The cost to attend is $20 per person.

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Curried Squash-Apple Soup

Serves 10

- 4 thsp. hutter
- 2 medium onions, peeled and chopped
- 2 garlic cloves, peeled and minced
- 2-4 thsp. curry powder
- 1 Granny Smith apple, peeled, cored, and chopped
- 2 lbs. butternut squash, peeled and chopped
- 4-6 cups vegetahle stock or chicken stock
- 1 tbsp. tawny port wine
- 2 tsp. kosher salt
- 1 tsp. freshly ground black pepper
- ¼ cup pine nnts, lightly toasted

1. Heat the hutter in a heavy 5-quart pot over medium heat. Add the onions and sauté until translncent, about 10 minutes. Add the garhc and curry powder and cook, stirring for 1 minute. Stir in the apple, squash, and stock. Cover and cook until the squash is soft, abont 35 minntes.

2. Remove the soup from the heat and, when slightly cooled, puree it in batches in a food processor. Pour the soup hack into the pot and stir in the port and salt and pepper.

3. To serve, reheat the soup, ladle into soup bowls, and garnish with pine nuts.

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Historian of Technology To Give Institute Lecture

George Dyson, visiting lecturer and research associate at Westem Washington University, will speak on "What If Artificial Life Isn't? The Origins of the Digital Universe at the Institute for Advanced Study" on November 29 at 4:30 p.m. in Wolfensohn Hall on the campus of the Institute for Advanced Study. A reception will follow. He will discuss the role of the Institute's Electronic Computer Project (1945-57) in the origins of digital computing.

A historian of technology, George Dyson's personal and professional interests have ranged from the prehistory of the Aleut kayak to the evolution of digital computing and the exploration of space. His work on prehistoric craft has been featured in television documentaries and such publications as the New York Times ("Lessons From Ancients Who Plied the Waves") and Time magazine ("Resurrecting a Wondrous Craft").

He is author of *Baidorka: The Kayak* (1986); "Form and Function of the Baldarka: The Framework of Design" in Contributions to Kayak Studies (1991); *Darwin Among the Machines: The Evolution of Global Intelligence* (1997, 1998); and the forthcoming "Orion," which concems Project Orion, the still-classified attempt to build a 4,000-ton nuclear-bomb-propelled interplanetary spaceship that took place between 1957 and 1965.

George Dyson

He attended Princeton High School, and the universities of Califomia at San Diego and, later, Berkeley.

His early life and work, contrasted with that of his father, physicist and Institute professor emeritus Freeman Dyson, was the subject of Kenneth Brower's *The Starship and the Canoe* (1978).

The event is one of a series of public lectures sponsored by the Institute's School of Social Science during the academic year 2000-01 in connection with a projected year-long exploration of "Information Technology, New Media and the Social Sciences."

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Scott Turow Will Read At Richardson Auditorium

Novelist Scott Turow will read from his work Wednesday, November 29 at Richardson Auditorium beginning at 4:30. He will be introduced by Paul Muldoon in a program sponsored by the Princeton University Creative Writing Program.

Scott Turow's first book, *One L*, about his experiences as a first-year student at Harvard Law School, was published in 1977. Ten years later, he published his first novel, *Presumed Innocent*, which was number one on the New York Times hardcover best-seller list for two months. A successful motion picture, based on the novel and starring Harrison Ford, followed in 1990.

Mr. Turow also wrote *The Burden of Proof*, in 1990, *Pleading Guilty*, 1993, and *The Laws of Our Fathers*, in 1996.

His books have been translated into more than 20 languages and, in total, have sold more than 22 million copies worldwide. They have won a number of literary awards, including the Silver Dagger Award of the British Crime Writers and the Fiction Award of the Society of Midlands. His short fiction, essays and reviews have appeared in a number of magazines and newspapers. He also continues to teach creative writing, most recently at Northwestern University.

Scott Turow

Transformations Co-op Is at Landau's This Year

The Transformations craft cooperative — which includes a number of area craftspeople — is holding its 25th annual sale of fine crafts at Landau's, 102 Nassau Street, from now through December 27.

Pottery by Princeton resident Beryl Curschmann and Connie Bracci-McIndoe, Hopewell, will be be available; and Ms. McIndoe will also show beaded necklaces and earrings. Lawrenceville resident Susan Kubota will contribute polymer clay brooches. Hand-painted shirts by Hanneke de Neve will be available, as will painted silk scarves by Leyla Spencer, Rocky Hill, and Lisa Fuellemann.

Also available will be elegant pieced jackets, featuring vintage fabrics, and woven items. Fiber artists new to the group this year will include Princeton resident Anja Chance, with one-of-a-kind shibori dyed scarves. Ms. Chance will also show woven scarves and miniature book pins.

Landau's hours are Monday through Saturday, from 9:30 to 5:30; and Sunday, from 11:30 to 4:30.

AFS Citrus Sale Is Now Under Way

The Princeton chapter of AFS Intercultural Programs is taking orders for its annual citrus sale. Ruby red grapefruit may be purchased for $13.50 per carton (approximately 22); while seedless oranges, at $12.50 per carton (approximately 40), may also be ordered.

Checks may be made out to AFS Princeton, and must be sent by November 24, to L. DeAngelis, 22 Ryan Road, Cranbury 08512.

Fruit may be picked up at Princeton High School on Thursday, December 14, from 5 to 8; Friday, December 15, from 3 to 8; and Saturday, December 16, from 9 to 12 noon. Use the cafeteria entrance from Walnut Lane.

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Middle School's New Drama Teacher Is an Alumna of John Witherspoon

A graduate of John Witherspoon Middle School (not to mention Princeton High School), 25-year-old Suzanne Houston has come back to Princeton to teach drama at the school.

Her interest in drama began when she was very young, when she and her two sisters would put on shows for their parents and their guests. "We would dress up and make them watch us," she said.

The interest remained strong not only for Suzanne, but also for her older sister, Lisa, who teaches drama at the Pennington School. Caroline, a senior at Princeton High School, is described by Suzanne as "more of a comedian."

Ms. Houston moved to Princeton when she was 2 years old. Her father, Paul, was Princeton Regional School Superintendent from 1977 to 1986. Her mother, Kay, teaches at the University League Nursery School. Her elementary school years were spent at Johnson Park and Community Park schools.

SUZANNE HOUSTON, who went through the Princeton Regional School System from kindergarten through high school graduation, is a recent addition to the faculty at John Witherspoon Middle School.

She performed in musical productions at John Witherspoon and continued her acting and singing at Princeton High School. Beginning as one of the Kit Kat Girls in *Cobaret*, she went on to appear in every musical produced during her four years at the school, including *Sweet Chority* and *Pippin*. In her senior year she played the lead in *Kiss Me Kote*.

Ms. Houston graduated from Marymount Manhattan College, where she lived in a dorm at the 92nd Street Y and ushered at the Y's famed scries of lecture and concerts. She received a BFA in acting and minored in arts education.

Marymount is located on Manhattan's upper east side. The best part about being there was that it was a commuter college, she said. "You had to make it what you wanted it to be. I liked that. It gave me a chance to figure out what I wanted to do and how I wanted to do it."

Acted During Summers

During her college summers she returned home and acted in Theatre Intime and Princeton University Players productions. She even did one show during the academic year, commuting back and forth to school. Among the productions in which she appeared were *Pippin*, *Tortuffe* and *Hello Agoin*.

Since returning to Princeton, she has appeared in several productions at Hopewell's Off-Broadstreet Theatre, and is featured in the current offering, *Swingtime Conteen*. She was also seen in *Able's Irish Rose*, *Triumph of Love*, and *Will you Still Love Me in the Morning?*

Acting, to Ms. Houston, is the opportunity to be other people. "Sometimes being yourself can get boring. That way you can escape, or try things you can't try in real life," she said.

At John Witherspoon she teaches sixth, seventh and eighth graders. The sixth graders are taught drama and story telling; the seventh graders study theater careers off and on stage; and the eighth graders learn acting and directing. All students are taught acting.

"Drama is something everyone can do," said Ms. Houston. "It's a way to figure out who you are or what is inside of you. If you're uncomfortable with who you are, you can pretend to be someone else for a while. It makes you feel good."

She believes acting helped to focus her and allowed her to do better in school. "For other people it might be a chance to forget about all the other stuff in the day and let go. A lot of middle-schoolers carry a lot, have a lot of balls in the air. Sometimes you have to let go."

Ms. Houston is also in charge of the school's Drama Club, and is planning a production in the spring. Right now she's leaning toward doing something of Shakespeare's, either scenes from plays, or monologues, or snippets. "That way a lot of the kids will have the opportunity to take on a role."

She said she found it a little strange returning to a school where her former teachers are now her colleagues. And she still has trouble calling her colleagues by their first names if she had them as teachers.

"It is good," she said, "to be back to a place where I had so many happy memories. Middle school can be an awkward place, but I felt very comfortable at John Witherspoon."

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Forrestal Village Will Light Tree on Nov. 25

Forrestal Village (Route 1 and College Road West) will kick off the holiday season on November 25, with its annual Tree Lighting Spectacular in Market Plaza. The festivities will begin at 1, with live holiday music and carolers. Santa will arrive and light the tree at 5:30.

Radio stations 97.5 WPST and 94.5 WNJO will join the festivities with live remotes and give-aways, from 4 to 7. Families may enjoy free horse and carriage rides, from 6 to 9; and children may have their photos taken with Santa.

Starting on November 25, also, the Village will have extended hours — until 9 — on Saturday evenings. Village hours for the holidays will be Monday-Wednesday, 10 to 6; Thursday-Saturday, 10-9; and Sunday, 11-5.

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The tour's donation last year to the Komen Foundation was over $13,000.

The tour will be held November 30 from 6 to 9 p.m. and December 1 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tickets are $30 and $20 (senior citizens) in advance, and $35 and $25 at the door. To order tickets, call (908) 874-0020 or lax (908) 874-0032.

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Plans for PHS, Middle School, Narrowed to Three

The Princeton Regional School Board facilities committee will recommend three possible middle school/high school construction options at a special board meeting on November 28. One of the options will be part of a school bond referendum, which district officials hope to include on the school election ballot on April 17.

The three plans are: to construct additions to both the middle school and the high school; to demolish John Witherspoon School and construct a new middle school directly to the north of Princeton High School; and to demolish John Witherspoon and create a new middle school on the same side of Walnut Lane, near Franklin Avenue.

The Hillier Group architectural firm is developing plans for the three options, including preliminary cost estimates, plans for parking, and other details. At the special board meeting, they will also discuss plans for renovations and additions to the four elementary schools.

The idea of bridging — or even closing — Walnut Street to create a middle school/high school campus has been permanently abandoned, according to Hillier Group architect David Hingston.

So has Princeton architect Tony LaPlaca's proposal to construct an entirely new, state-of-the-art high school at the site where the Community Park Elementary School now stands. Mr. LaPlaca's plan, advocated by members of the High School Neighborhood Association — a number of whom attended a board facilities committee meeting on November 16 — had included moving Community Park students to the present middle school, and transferring students from John Witherspoon into the high school.

Hillier architect David Hingston, discussing various options at the meeting, recommended against pursuing

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School Options

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Mr. LaPlaca's plan, for a number of reasons.

Besides the fact that the school district does not control the playing fields in Community Park, which Mr. LaPlaca had suggested be used by the high school, Community Park is too small to contain the high school student body of well over 1,000 students.

High school parking needs, Mr. Hingston noted, could not be accommodated at the Community Park site and would be exacerbated by the proximity of Route 206. He also pointed out that the Community Park pool, which Mr. LaPlaca had suggested could be used by the high school in the winter, cannot be roofed over for technical reasons.

Facilities committee members themselves rejected the idea of a "bridge over troubled Walnut," as Anne Burns termed it.

Keep Two Schools

The first option — to build additions to both the middle school and Princeton High School — is by far the least expensive, Mr. Hingston said. It calls for a two-story addition to the middle school that would house a "wellness center," including a new gym; and an academic wing. The center of the school would remain one story.

An arts center with access to the auditorium would be created in the B wing, on the northern end of the school; and a new technology center would be opened in the former kindergarten rooms. The library would be expanded, as would the cafeteria.

"We have heard loud and clear that people really like the character of the high school," Mr. Hingston said, "and they don't want to tear down the tower."

He added, "There are parts we want to carry forward — and there are parts we really want to ditch!"

According to diagrams that he distributed, the high school's "academic core" would be maintained along the sides of the center hallway. "We would take the existing library and move it into the auditorium," he said.

Plans for the high school remain the same, whether or not the middle school is demolished. They call for a new science and math center, a fitness center, and an arts center to be constructed. "With the exception of the newer gym," Mr. Hingston said, "we would take down the older part of the building." The new centers would be contained in a new two-story addition, with the arts center opening on Walnut Lane.

Parking needs for patrons of the arts center might be met by nearby "semi-depressed parking," Mr. Hingston said.

One concern expressed by several people concerned the amount of playing space that would be eaten up by the high school addition.

Open Up Playing Fields

The second scheme — tearing the middle school down and building a new school that would be linked to the high school — would open up playing fields on the present John Witherspoon School side of Walnut Lane, Mr. Hingston noted.

A fitness center and an arts center in the middle school would have easy access to the high school wellness and arts centers. A new academic wing, in which most of the students' classes would occur, would minimize interaction between high school and middle school younsters, an issue that bothers some people.

"It would be a substantial building," Mr. Hingston said. "We estimate it might cost $20 million more than the first option."

Same Side Option

The third choice — to construct a new middle school on the same side of Walnut Lane as the present John Witherspoon School, would also alleviate playing field problems that could be caused by high school construction. The basic plan does not greatly differ from that of the second scheme and also includes fitness and arts centers.

Robert Von Zumbusch, a member of the Township historic preservation commission, also argued for the first plan, pointing out that the committee should consider the referendum's overall cost to the community. "It's not going to be easy to push this project through," he warned.

Facilities committee member Barbara Prince pointed out that board members had to be guided by consideration for the plan that would best serve the district's academic program, rather than what would cause the least disruption or cost the least money.

Taking another tack, Bob James spoke out in favor of constructing a new middle school on the high school side of Walnut Lane. "This town desperately needs playing fields," he said. "Whatever you choose, let that be the primary consideration. All other schemes intrude upon the fields."

Several residents asked about the duration of the project, but Mr. Hingston said he wasn't prepared yet with a timeline.

Frank Strasburger, chair of the facilities committee said he recognized that immediate neighbors of the high school and middle school would "pay in ways none of the rest of us will.

"We are trying to create a good liaison with the community and to work together," he said, promising that by the special board meeting of November 28, complete field layouts for the three options would be available, as would cost comparisons, and parking plans.

—Anne Rivera

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PREPARING A BENEFIT: Preparing for the Princeton Academy's Holiday Benefit, to be held on Sunday, December 3, are, first row, from left, event Co-chair Harriette Willis; honorary committee members Edward and Irene Farley, Holt and Regina Murray; trustee Gina Volkwein. Back row, honorary Chairpersons William and Joan Ellis, trustee Tom Byrne; board Chair, Dr. Louis Tesoro; trustee Mary Fitzpatrick; and event Co-Chair Catharine Macdonald.

Sacred Heart

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Catholic boys' school has held classes since it opened in September 1999.

"Once the state agency approves a loan," Mr. Swartzentruber explained, "it issues bonds to a third party," from which nonprofit groups and businesses borrow money at favorable terms. The governor has ten days in which to veto the Authority's approval, Mr. Swartzentruber added.

The property — at the corner of Drakes Corner Road and The Great Road — is owned by Princeton Lifestyles, a development company that last year submitted plans for a continuing care retirement community called Regent's Mead, to the Princeton regional planning board.

The planning board rejected the application; and the developer offered to rent space under the convent chapel — previously occupied by the Princeton Montessori School — to the Academy, which signed a two-year lease.

On July 20, the Academy signed a contract to purchase the property; and the school paid Princeton Lifestyles an initial $150,000. According to the contract terms, the developer cannot offer the property to any other buyer before the deadline of December 31.

To date, the school has raised $3 million toward the $8 million asking price — enough to obtain financing; but the trustees and headmaster Olen Kalkus are determined to buy the property outright if they possibly can.

Spurring them on is a $1 million challenge from the William E. Simon Foundation in Morristown. If the school can raise the $8 million, the Morristown foundation will give the school $1 million.

"We are going after the additional $5 million to the bitter end," Mr. Swartzentruber said. "The fact of the matter is, any school would be very pleased to have raised $3 million; but we want to make every effort to reach the full amount. If anyone thinks that the Development Authority approval makes this a done deal, I can assure them, it doesn't."

Just within the last three days, he added the school has received two foundation grants: $50,000 from the Starr Foundation, and a three-year $90,000 grant from the Bunbury Corporation.

"We have not been soliciting from foundations for a particular aspect of the school," Mr. Swartzentruber added. "These contributions are broad-based capital support for our efforts to purchase and keep the property."

The Academy, designed to be a companion school to Stuart Country Day School of the Sacred Heart, an all-girls school, has about 90 students this year, in grades K-6. Plans are to add a seventh grade in the fall, followed by an eighth grade in 2002.

Tuition is now $13,000 annually for boys in grades K-4; it is $14,800 for those in grades 5 and 6; and some scholarship help is available.

—Anne Rivera

Academy of the Sacred Heart To Host Benefit December 3

The Princeton Academy of the Sacred Heart will host a Holiday Tea & Sherry Benefit — by invitation only — at the Manor House of the former Our Lady of Princeton, on Sunday, December 3. No donation is required to attend.

Presentations on the history of the Manor House, including its architectural history and the social scene in Princeton in the 1920s and 1930s when the estate was built, will be made; and Olen Kalkus, headmaster of the Academy, will speak about the ideals and principles guiding the founding and progress of the school.

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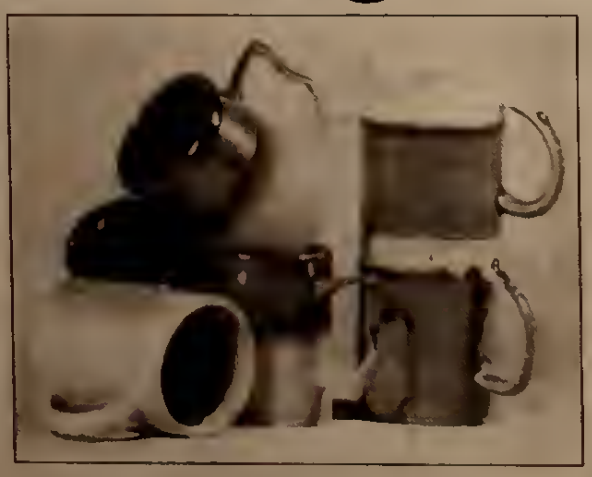

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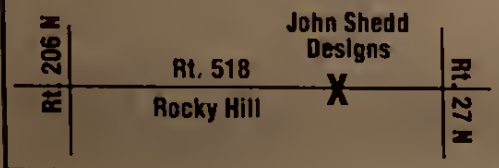

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School Funding

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practice," she said.

The possibility that individuals — and even corporations — may contribute large amounts of money to the Princeton regional schools has some people worried, however.

At a meeting last week of the district's minority education committee, Todd Tieger, a founding member, suggested that funding from corporate donors could "re-do the inequities" the committee has worked for years to eradicate.

Former board member Ricardo Bruce noted that if a donor contributed funds to a specific school and not to others, for example, the inequity would be apparent.

Losing Control

"We are talking about significantly reducing the tax burden on residents," Mr. Tieger pointed out, "but I am concerned that we will lose control."

Dr. Kohn told the committee that revised policies on fund raising from private sources were scheduled for adoption at the board meeting of November 21. Without additional funds, she said, the full cost of the referendum would be considerably higher. "We are looking for some level of contribution that will help lighten the burden," she explained.

Committee members pointed out that a major five-year donation to the high school in 1999 enabled it to create two advanced placement (AP) economics courses. Such donations, they said, are unfair to students — often minorities — who may not be AP material.

"A criterion in the policy on accepting contributions is whether or not they will create an imbalance," Dr. Kohn said.

Walter Frank, board liaison to the minority education committee, said that board members are sensitive to the problems that can arise from outside contributions. "Each contribution will be decided on its merits," he promised.

Mr. Tieger said he understood that because the district will be asking for a "fearful amount of money," it was natural to want to reduce taxes by seeking new funding sources. "Major corporate funding is, however, categorically different from the present policy," he reiterated.

Mr. Frank said it is precisely because the board has a responsibility to taxpayers that it is looking into the possibility of outside funding, and revising its gift policies. "The notion that we now have three funding sources [state, taxpayers, and private sources] is however, not accurate," he stated.

District officials expect the district to receive some state funding under provisions of the new Educational Facilities Construction and Funding Act, but the extent of that funding is not yet clear.

Committee members worried, as well, that corporate contributions would come with strings attached. A corporation could fund the athletics program, for example, on condition that its logo appear on all team uniforms.

District officials assured the committee that no such result was possible. Even without the revisions, the board's gift policy states, "In no case shall acceptance of a gift be considered to be an endorsement by the Board of a commercial product or business enterprise or institution of learning."

Policies scheduled for adoption on November 21, make it clear, also, that all gifts, grants, donations, or bequests in excess of $2,500 must be formally approved by the full board before acceptance.

The policies also direct the board to develop a "planning process, prioritized-needs list, guidelines, and procedures for evaluating the acceptance of gifts . . ." Donors should also be encouraged to "select items that are not likely to be purchased with private funds."

Policies also stress that the degree to which the district's "efforts to achieve its educational goals would be enhanced" by accepting a grant or a gift, must be a criterion.

Any contribution to the board, also "becomes the property of the District and is subject to the same controls and regulations that govern the use of other school-owned properties and cannot be further restricted by the donor," according to the revisions.

—Anne Rivera

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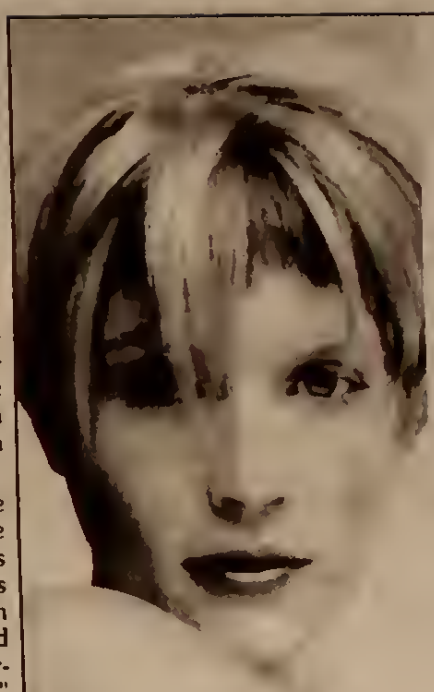

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Seek Ways to Facilitate Senior Housing Rather Than Rejecting It Out of Hand

To the Editor of **Town Topics:**

For years Princeton Township officials have endorsed the need for more housing for seniors — in principle. In practice, the few solid proposals that were advanced have been rejected, largely because of neighbor objections. The problem is that seniors can't live in principles; they need real apartments. Now a new development off Mt. Lucas Road has been proposed. Again the same old arguments are being directed against it. It has actually been suggested that it does not even deserve a hearing!

Of course there will be additional traffic. Unfortunately, throughout the area there has been an annoying increase in traffic, but that is a fact of life in today's world and we are forced to adjust to it. Of course it will be more massive than houses in the area, but any housing development necessarily will be. Perhaps it will block the woodlands view of a nearby house, but no one is guaranteed a view unless he is fortunate to own the property between him and that view. Let us not repeat the Tusculum debacle where a great opportunity was lost because of a hypothetical view.

This is the last opportunity for meaningful senior housing in Princeton. Rather than rejecting it out of hand, we should all be seeking ways to facilitate it.

JEROME KURSHAN
Random Road

Issue as Important as Library's Location Should Have Been a Ballot Question

To the Editor of **Town Topics:**

As a resident of Princeton, and a mother of three elementary school age children, I observed this local election with an interest that extended beyond its outcome; the Borough Council election, in particular, served as a spotlight on a very fuzzy community picture.

As opinions and aspirations evolve into "issues," a community's priorities generally become evident. Something's very wrong in Princeton.

The "old guard" is holding the fortress here. It has attracted a population that feels safety and familiarity in its realm; it has created, and it supports, a governing body who, in turn, supports it. The atmosphere in Princeton brings to mind an old world caste system, with little factions of "in-crowds" abounding everywhere; much of the population appears to be "starstruck" (impressed with celebrity and "status"). These elements are pervasive and are obstructing this community's potential and vitality. Is it that we, the residents, are too apathetic — even on behalf of our children — or is it that the "old guard" has such a stranglehold on the local government, institutions, and services that Princeton operates in a gridlock? It seems that it's both.

Princeton is a name known throughout the world, evoking association with ivy league education, sophistication, and intellectuallsm; however, there is a great deal of contradiction here.

In a progressive community, for example (it's going on all across the country), charter schools are welcomed openly as positive additions to the educational community — offering choice and variety — as assets. Conversely, when Princeton Charter School took form, the "old guard" cast a suspicious eye. PCS is a successful, very high caliber public school choice; and yet, there has been an unmistakable resistance (even resentment!) to its emergence throughout this community.

And now, a new public library is slated to be built at the existing library's present location in an area which cannot safely and efficiently accommodate the traffic and pedestrian flow at present (with an expanded library and a growing population, this situation will only get worse). This location is logistically inaccessible to the community's (substantial) student population at one of the most congested intersections in town. It is hazardous for children, the elderly, and those with physical handicaps. Parking is difficult (at certain times of the day, impossible), and quick in-and-out access is non-existent.

It doesn't make sense that these factors are not being addressed as primary and critical to this issue; instead we are hearing only about how the library can "keep the town alive! Downtown Princeton will thrive without the library — library use and shopping are not synonymous, and surely this library is important enough to be considered as an entity unto itself.

The Borough Council simply states (offering absolutely no substantiation for the claim) that "the library belongs in town." No. The library belongs to the community!

Borough Council members have only (but quite openly!) put forth that the library should be the "cornerstone of the town." Shouldn't this read "cornerstone of the community"?! It seems unimaginable that the permanent location of a $20 million library should be based on its potential to (supposedly) enhance the atmosphere of a quaint downtown area — to assure patrons for Ann Taylor and Banana Republic! This is the rationale for choosing the site of the public library in a world renowned educational community? (Hello!). The Council (Borough or Township) has not addressed any details that pertain specifically to the library, but perhaps what is most important is that they have never really addressed the issue of the new library with the community at all. An issue of this importance should have been voted as a ballot question — for Borough and Township.

Borough Council — as this election brought to light — apparently believes the public library is their domain. Borough and Township residents are, generally, unaware that major community planning decisions are being made by a very small faction, and are often "railroaded" through the approval phase.

Borough resident Dorothy Koehn, ran on Princeton's first Independent ticket for Borough Council, largely to bring this situation (and others like it) to the community's attention. As a viable solution to the library issue, Ms. Koehn is advocating the formation of a wonderful civic complex, which would be an ideal location for the new library. Situated just blocks from town at the corner of Valley Road and Witherspoon Street, the new library would be easily — and safely — accessible to *all* Princeton students and residents (there are even existing bicycle paths from the high school and middle school to this location). Such a solution would open up the library to the entire community — inclusive of Borough and Township. It would be a progressive, community-minded move for Princeton as the community evolves into the 21st century.

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Candidate Thanks Voters, Sees Progress On Several Longterm Township Problems

To the Editor of **Town Topics**:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the voters who supported me in the recent election. It was very gratifying to receive this expression of confidence both in my candidature and in the policies pursued by my colleagues and I on the Township Committee. In particular, I would like to offer special thanks to the people who sent financial contributions.

In the course of the campaign I sometimes saw references to the slow progress of some of the problems we have been struggling to solve. In nearly every instance this was due to factors beyond the control of Princeton Township. Happily, in several cases there have recently been new outside developments which permit us to finally go ahead.

The question of the size of the deer herd has been a worrisome one with which my colleagues and I have been struggling for many years. Initially, there was considerable local opposition against reducing the numbers by drastic measures. We also faced inflexible State rules. However, after years of swimming against the tide we may soon get permission from the State authorities to pursue our program with the enthusiastic support of most of the public. This will be a first for New Jersey.

Again the question of the new library. This was stalled for a very long time because we, the Township Committee, would not proceed unless there was a guarantee of adequate parking for Township residents. Our fight again appears to have been successful and the program is going forward.

A third difficult question has been and still is the Millstone Bypass. We have worked hard opposing the DOT and just recently the Governor made a surprising intervention in the matter and demanded a more extensive study of the environmental effects of the proposed road. This will have the effect of delaying the development at least two years and, more importantly, will reopen the whole discussion of the project and its alternatives.

I look forward to being your Committeeman for another three years and to seeing the rapid completion of the municipal building. I also hope to participate in the resolution of the problems which I mentioned above and some of the other difficult questions, such as the excessive traffic, with which we are faced. Thank you all again for your confidence in me and help in the election.

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Town Topics Local Election Coverage Inaccurate and Shamelessly Biased

To the Editor of **Town Topics**:

Your front page article "Clean Sweep for Democrats," (TOWN TOPICS, November 8), was indeed a clean sweep, right down to the inaccurate and shamelessly biased "reporting." Anne Rivera reported that Republican Dick Zimmer had lost his seat to Rush Holt three years ago. Unless constitutional changes have occurred, of which we are unaware, congressional elections are every two years and if memories serve correctly, Rush Holt defeated Mike Pappas, not Dick Zimmer. Mr. Zimmer had given up his seat two years prior to that election when he ran for the U.S. Senate.

In reporting on the presidential race, Ms. Rivera's report stated that "Not a single district strayed to the Bush camp." Is it now required to be a Democrat to live in Princeton? From what standard does one "stray" to vote his conscience? The herd mentality of the Princetons' voter is more than evident in our local elections. Is voting for a Republican candidate on any level now to be considered equivalent to immoral if not illegal? Is TOWN TOPICS a news weekly or a newsletter of the Democratic Party? If the former, create an editorial page if you want to editorialize and stop disguising inaccuracy and bias as fact.

ALTA & MARC MALBERG
Autumn Hill Road

Editor's Note: Writers for TOWN TOPICS are blessed with a readership that is quick to correct errors. The factual inaccuracy was a stupid mistake; and we appreciate your setting the record straight.

According to the Random House Dictionary, the verb "to stray," means "to wander," from the majority. It does not imply judgment — or "bias," a serious charge. If all districts except one had voted Republican, we would have used the same word.

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School Expansion's Impact on Property Taxes Raises Questions About Cranbury Students

To the Editor of **Town Topics**:

We are part of a group of Princeton taxpayers who like to be better informed about the impact on property taxes of the proposed expansion of Princeton High School. One issue of concern is the role of the growing Cranbury student population in the scale of the expansion.

With this letter, we are seeking community support for a short petition to the School Board which reads:

In light of overcrowding at Princeton High School and the need for new school construction, we request that the Board present a detailed, quantified, and documented explanation of the arrangement whereby Princeton High School continues to receive students from another district.

We request that this information be available before December 5, 2000.

If any of your readers are interested in getting further information, or in supporting this request, we can be contacted by e-mail at aradbil@hotmail.com or by telephone at (609) 279-1582.

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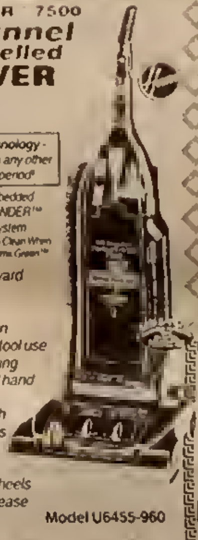

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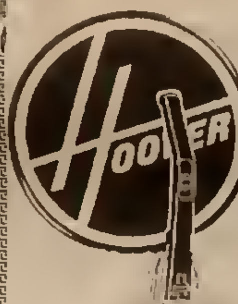

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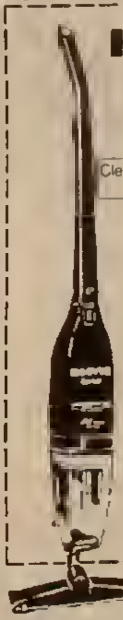

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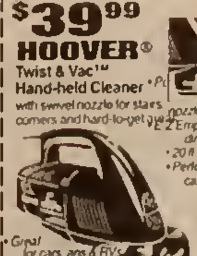

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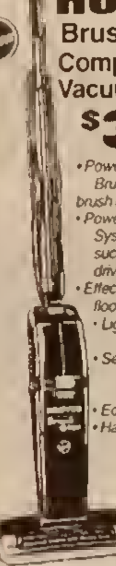

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Deficiencies Cited at Princeton High Come as No Surprise to This Parent

To the Editor of **Town Topics:**

As the parent of a Princeton High School student, the deficiencies of PHS cited by the accreditation team from the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools came as no surprise. Nor did the fact that Principal John Kazmark "represents stability, enthusiasm and encouragement to administration, staff and students," because he does this for parents too. I am grateful that PHS has Dr. Kazmark.

I am also grateful to the many members of the staff, school board and community who have worked, since early 1999, on a plan for renovating all of our district's schools.

Next April, when the referendum to fund these much needed improvements is presented to the electorate, I hope everyone will support it because our children deserve the very best educations.

MATTHEW W. MURPHY
Mount Lucas Road

83620

Local Resident Seeks Help in Locating A Lost Portrait of Benjamin Franklin

To the Editor of **Town Topics:**

In 1788 Madame Lavoisier, wife of the famous French chemist and an amateur painter, made two copies of a portrait of Benjamin Franklin by Duplessis. According to Charles Coleman Sellers, author of the standard iconography, *Benjamin Franklin in Portraiture* (1962), the one she sent to Franklin as a gift descended to his grand-daughter, Sarah Bache, who married Charles Hodge. Their son, Charles Alexander Hodge, inherited it, after which it passed to Mary Hunter Stockton and her sister, Sarah Bache Stockton. The owners in 1962 are listed as Miss Anne Stockton and Mrs. L. Wardlaw Miles of Princeton.

Colleagues in Paris, who are compiling an exhaustive inventory of Lavoisier correspondence and memorabilia, have appealed to me to make inquiries about the portrait's present whereabouts. If any one can suggest a lead, they and I would be most grateful.

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83621

High School Building, Open Spaces Are Treasured Princeton Landmark

To the Editor of **Town Topics:**

As a long time Princeton resident, who hos sent three children through our excellent school system, I would like to share with you and your readers a letter that was mailed to the School Board. It was signed by 34 high school area residents who are concerned with the wisdom of one of the recently conceived alternatives to upgrade the high school.

This proposal would create a new school compus on the high school football field and trock. All the signers are supporters of the Princeton School system, and are committed to its needs for providing students with an outstanding educotion. We simply ask, in turn, that the School Board olso be sensitive to the quolity of life in our neighborhood.

STANLEY HERZOG
265 Moore Street

We are Moore Street and Richard Court neighbors whose houses are adjacent to the high school, and Guyot Avenue neighbors whose houses overlook the high school playing fields. Some of us attended the "vision-gathering" meeting on Monday, October 30, where members of the community were invited to share our visions for the new high school with the School Board's Facilities Committee.

At the meeting, a Board member described a design that seems to be currently favored by some members of the Board. This plan includes destroying the football stadium and track and soccer fields, erecting a new middle school on the site, tearing down the old middle school and building a new athletic complex in its place.

The current high school property as we know it, with its historic building, green open spaces, and majestic old trees is one of the treasured landmarks in Princeton. For anybody who knows and values this town, it is one of those places that makes Princeton Princeton.

A new school on the football field would introduce a large-scale institutional building into a previously green and relatively quiet area. It would gratuitously pave over open green space and community recreation space, including the football field and track with the grassy slope overlooking it, which cannot be easily duplicated on another site. The changes proposed in this design are changes for the worse that we all dread.

The five "strategies" proposed in the November 30th report from the Facilities Committee were all far more harmonious and reasonable in the neighborhood scheme. We are therefore letting you know as soon as possible that we hope the Board will consider the negative impact a development/demolition plan like this would have.

The School Board has not yet contacted neighbors for input and has not yet held a public meeting specifically for the purpose of addressing the concerns of neighbors. We are therefore requesting such a meeting as soon as possible, where we can see plans and have a chance to comment on them before the Board effectively commits. We look forward to meeting and working with you.

83622

Shopping Center as Site for New Library Hotly Debated Topic for Over Two Years

To the Editor of **Town Topics:**

The following letter is o response to Mory-Alice Lessing, whose letter appeored in TOWN TOPICS November 8.

Your recent letter asks why the library is moving to the shopping center temporarily instead of permanently. You correctly point out that we had an opportunity several years ago to make this move by taking over the former Bamberger's store (now McCaffrey's). Why did we reject the permanent move several years ago, you query?

For those of you who either were not residents in the early 1990's or do not recall that far back in our history, the library location was a hotly debated topic for over two years. We had comparative studies, surveys, site evaluations, negotiations, and above all, public debates. We really worked over the issue of which location, downtown or shopping center, was the best. Ultimately, the Borough Council and Township Committee selected the existing downtown location.

There were pluses and minuses to both choices. Had there been a clear winner, there would not have been the need for such a long discussion. But the downtown site was selected, with no voter recounts or legal challenges. The decision was made and we have progressed from there.

Now as we search for a temporary home, there are very few options in Princeton with enough available space. In fact, we have discovered only two: the Valley Road building and the shopping center. For temporary space, we have decided that the shopping center fits our needs better.

I really do not want to revisit the two-year long debate over where our long-term home should be. We are making good progress now and are almost at the point of being able to start construction.

As for your comment that those who favored the shopping center site were totally disregarded and, worse, even reviled, my memory differs from yours. In fact, I, myself, brought the concept of the shopping center site to light (no pun intended). I certainly did not feel either disregarded or reviled.

HARRY LEVINE
President, Princeton Public Library Board

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To Encourage Fairer World Economy Purchase "Fair Trade" Coffee Locally

To the Editor of **Town Topics:**

The Starbucks chain has just started selling Fair Trade coffee by the pound and its Princeton site promises to offer it brewed soon. Bucks County Coffee House has been offering its own Fair Trade coffee for a while and has it on its brew schedule. The Whole Earth Center has been selling a wide range of Fair Trade coffees for a long time. As far as I know, these are the only choices that justice-seeking coffee drinkers have in the Princeton area.

Justice-seeking? Yes. The movement to make consumer decisions that work towards a fairer world economy has been around for years. With coffee, it means buying coffee that comes from cooperatives of small farmers, giving them access to credit, a more stable market, and a slightly higher share in the profit of this massive industry.

Bought by the pound, Fair Trade coffee costs a lot more than mass market brands but about the same as gourmet coffees, so your personal budget will have to guide your choice. But by the cup, any of the local coffee houses could offer it at the same price as their other selections. Let's ask them to do that, so that we all can have a choice.

There is another way you can support this movement — ask your organizations, employer or church to switch. My church, the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Princeton, just changed to coffee purchased through Equal Exchange. (You can get details from web sites at equalexchange.com or transfair.org.) Buying it in as little as 10-pound lots, we pay about half of the retail price. It is much better coffee; and we get to work on our values for seeking economic justice in the world. What a great deal!

PAT RAMIREZ
Maclean Street

83624

Bypass Environmental Impact Statement Should Be Prepared by New Consultant

To the Editor of **Town Topics:**

The following is a letter I hove sent to Governor Whitman, Dennis Merido, Division Administrator of the Federol Highwoy Administrotion, ond James Weinstein, NJ Commissioner of Tronsportotion, on behoIf of the 19 member orgonizotions of the Millstone Byposs Alert Coolition.

As the Notice of Intent (NOI) is being prepared for the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the US 1/Penns Neck Area Improvement project, otherwise known as the "Millstone Bypass," our coalition, the Millstone Bypass Alert! (MBA) would like to call to your attention a few issues that should be addressed.

First, it is imperative that New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)provide new alternatives in addition to those already presented in the draft environmental assessment (EA). A project of this complexity must look at innovative alternatives that are designed with all the stakeholders in mind. These alternatives must be crafted using recent and relevant data and in consort with the most important stakeholders, the citizens of the West Windsor/Princeton area. This project needs new alternatives in the EIS that reflect the values of both Regional Planning and Context Sensitive Design. The MBA coalition requests that NJDOT and FHWA develop and review at least three additional alternatives for the EIS.

It is also critical that a new extensive Origin and Destination Study be carried out at this time. The initial study by NJDOT in the 1980's emphasized that removing the Route 1 traffic lights must be part of a comprehensive circulation plan for the Princetons and West Windsor.

As you know, the first step of any National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) full EIS process is the determination of a proper statement of Need and Purpose. Therefore, as part of the examination of impacts of and alternatives to the currently proposed highway running along the Millstone River, Lake Carnegie and the Delaware and Raritan Canal State Park, we further request that you "re-scope" the project to assure that there is local consensus of the purpose of the project and the need for it.

Fresh vision is needed to solve the traffic problems in the area. For this reason, we suggest that a new DOT project team and a new consultant prepare the EIS. The existing teams have invested over four years in studying and promoting the current alignment, so that we cannot now expect them to provide an objective review of new alternatives.

The National Environmental Policy Act and the National Historic Preservation Act require that NJDOT seek public opinion in the EIS process. Prior to publishing the Notice of Intent, or moving ahead on the EIS, we strongly urge you to hold a preliminary scoping session for the project.

We are certain that such an inclusive planning process for the EIS will result in a plan that can be endorsed by all.

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316 Residents Cast Their Votes For New Library on Valley Road

To the Editor of **Town Topics:**

To the borough citizens who came forward on Election Day with their votes to move the public library to Valley Road, I'd like to thank all of you individually and as a group numbering 316. With your votes, you made a real and significant statement for this comprehensive issue, addressing also the traffic and parking problems, presented in my campaign for Borough Council.

Many of you spoke your support to me personally, which was invaluable both for the information you provided and for the encouragement you gave me on those days when I was overcome by the enormity of these important issues.

Special thanks to those of you who offered your time and help in the form of encouragement, ideas, and listening in bringing the library issue to the attention of the voters and public!

I give tribute at this time to Mr. Herbert W. Hobler for taking the initiative by submitting a letter to the editor last Spring, asking Princeton citizens to contact him in the interest of moving the library. I, for one, responded to his letter and with the help of another dedicated individual (unnamed but not unrecognized), launched this campaign. Though Herb and I did not work together, it is through his initiative that my campaign got underway. In his recent letter to the editor (TOWN TOPICS, November 15), Mr. Hobler made a wonderful statement about the significance of your votes — not to mention the potential interest from Township residents who support the library financially by 70 percent! Thank you, Herb, for getting this started. I won't let up!

The library belongs to the community. Its importance in our lives and the lives of our children goes beyond local governmental decision-making processes. We will continue to work towards the goal and will notify you, the voters and taxpayers, through newspaper announcements and newsletters of our progress and how you may be involved.

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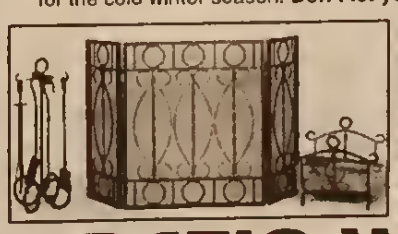

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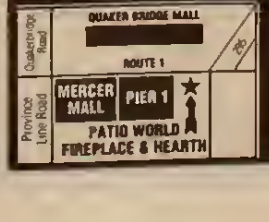

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University Museum Features Small-Scale Sculpture Exhibition

An exhibition at the Princeton University Art Museum, entitled "Material Language: Small-Scale Sculpture after 1950," will remain through December 30, to complement the new sculpture on the University campus — Richard Serra's *The Hedgehog and the Fox*, dedicated November 10. [See article in TOWN TOPICS, November 15.]

Among the artists represented in "Material Language" are sculptors Alexander Calder and Kenneth Snelson with models for their outdoor pieces in the John B. Putnam, Jr., Memorial Collection. Leo Steppat's *Toro* and Jasper Johns' *Flashlight* represent the 1950s.

Harry Bertoia's untitled welded bronze work, Pol Bury's kinetic sculpture, *66 Balls and their Cylinders*, and Claus Oldenburg's *Soft Engine* are among the diverse work from the 1960s.

The rich figural sculpture of the 1970s is represented by *Girl on a Chair* by George Segal and Jonathan Shahn's *Armless Seated Figure*. A steel and wood sculpture by British artist Anthony Caro, *Writing Piece 'Good,'* also dates from the 1970s.

Works by Christopher Wilmarth bring the exhibition up to the generation of Richard Serra, who was born in 1939. Hal Foster, Townsend Martin Professor of Modern Art, wrote in his introduction to the exhibition, "The greatest sculptor of the last few decades, Serra has worked to reestablish sculpture on a basis that is both more structurally secure and more socially incisive than direct carving, constructed sculpture, or found objects."

Most of the works on view are from the Museum's permanent collection. They were selected by Professor Peter C. Bunnell, with Director Susan M. Taylor and Professor Foster, assisted by Calvin D. Brown, preparator.

The Museum is open Tuesday through Saturday, from 10 to 5; and on Sunday, from 1 to 5. It is closed on Mondays and major holidays.

For more information, call 258-3788.

ART

IRON SCULPTURE: This work by Italian-born artist Dino Basaldella, is part of the University Art Museum's permanent collection and the exhibition of small-scale sculpture, "Material Works," that will remain through December 30. Call 258-3788.

Mr. Birge was trained in systematic theology at Washington Theological Union, and is currently working on an M.F.A. degree at George Washington University.

Mr. Caughy holds an M.F.A. degree from the Pratt Institute and works in the medium of raku and pottery. He will be an artist-in-residence at Wesley Theological Seminary during the 2000-2001 academic year.

A liturgical studies doctoral candidate at Drew University, Mr. Ellis works as the director of religious education at Holy Name Parish and School in Washington, D.C.

The artists will present a gallery talk on Monday, December 4, from 4:30 to 5:30, at which refreshments will be served.

For more information, and for gallery hours, call 497-7990.

Exhibits

"Witnessing to the Word," an exhibit of works by sculptor Patrick Birge, potter Patrick Caughy, and painter Patrick Ellis, will be at Princeton Theological Seminary's **Erdman Gallery**, in Erdman Hall, 20 Library Place, through Friday, January 5. It is the second exhibit of the academic year at Erdman.

The three artists met through a theological consortium in Washington, D.C. They share the belief that creative imagination and theological truth are related and can be expressed in art.

A holiday art show featuring works by members of the Professional Artists Group, will open in the **1860 House Upstairs Gallery**, 124 Montgomery Road, Skillman, on December 3. A reception will take place from 1:30 to 4, at the gallery, which is in the Montgomery Cultural Center.

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TEAM WORK: The highly professional and helpful staff at Hedy Shepard is ready to help you select an exciting new holiday wardrobe for the upcoming festivities. Shown left to right are Suzie Ginsberg, Azure Pelberg, and owners Rachel and Lynn Rabinowitz.

Princeton Area Stores All Set For Holiday Shopping Season

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus, but he can't do everything! You have just over four weeks to help him out, with the best ever selection of holiday gifts in the Princeton area.

Hold on to these special weekly shopping guides for inspiration and information — and remember, you don't have to go far. Forget the Big Apple. Everything is right here in our own Princeton backyard.

Luggage, jewelry, fashion, furniture, art, antiques, books and basics ... and much, much more. The gift-giving season is under way, and area stores are ready for a flourishing shopping scene — the first of the 21st Century.

Now's the time to get an early start — 32 shopping days!

HEARD YOUR EX-GIRLFRIEND got married? See 'Engagements & Weddings' in TOWN TOPICS to see how she did

If you like the American country look, you will love **Now Fancy That**, the charming gift shop at 743 Route 206 in Belle Mead. The shop looks and feels like a warm country home, with the aroma of potpourri, and a festive display of country crafts and gift items, many handmade at the store.

This year Now Fancy That has many pretty new pottery items, especially a selection of white ceramic pieces with a blue criss-cross pattern. A covered pie dish features a top-hatted snowman on the lid for $45, and generous bowl-shaped mugs are a lovely blue inside, with hearts and stars on the outside.

New this season is a range of plates, mugs, and serving pieces in oatmeal-colored pottery with a soft green spatter rim, decorated with a pine tree and old barn motif — perfect for winter meals by the fire.

The store is known for its special cut and pierced lamp shades, especially attractive with vintage oil lamp glass bases. Lamps and shades start at about $139, and are truly one-of-a-kind.

Delightful quilted and patchwork items include wall hangings, table runners, and charming pillows in all sizes, all handmade in soft country fabrics and colors. Best sellers this year are quilted table mats, each with its own contrasting napkin, again in the soft tiny checks and patterns of country fabrics. Offered at $14.50 a set.

Painted wooden tree ornaments feature trees, hearts, stockings, snowmen, and many other designs, all handmade, starting at $8.50. Other ornaments are made of antique bobbins, wound with authentic sheep's wool.

Part of a wide selection of candles and candlesticks is a pretty painted wood candlestick with a contrasting colored candle, a charming hostess gift at $8.50.

This year, Now Fancy That also offers some very special soft fabric sculptures, including a Santa with a tweed sack filled with toys, also a "Snow Mum" — a plump motherly type holding a Snow Youngster. These could become family heirlooms, and are in the $60 range.

Upstairs in the appealing sample "bedrooms" is a selection of lovely handmade quilts, throws, and pillows, and country-style furniture.

Now Fancy That offers gift wrapping, and is open Monday through Friday 10 to 6, Saturday until 5, Sunday 12 to 5 the four weeks before Christmas.

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Always in the forefront of women's fashion, **Hedy Shepard Ltd.** offers customers a dynamic selection of all-occasion clothing and accessories — career to evening, sophisticated, and very wearable. It is about a style, a look, and a fashion attitude.

"We will dress the woman for the holidays!" say owners Lynn and Rachel Rabinowitz, owners of this popular Nassau Street store. "Whatever the occasion — an intimate dinner for two to a New Year's Eve gala, our professional and helpful staff will see that our customers have just the right look."

Who could resist the stunning styles of Sylvia Heisel? Beads to silk to velvet in deeply rich colors, including sleek tops and pants and glamorous dresses.

Pants are a popular look for the holidays — both tapered taffeta to wide leg crepe — and dresses feature every length, from shortest short to alluringly long.

The embroidered velvet evening coats of Adrienne Landau, with dyed fox collar and cuffs, make a dramatic fashion statement. Offered in lavender tones or red and hot pinks with a cascade of fringe, these are truly one-of-a-kind!

Always noted for the great sweater selection, Hedy Shepard has super holiday choices. Best selling cashmere, including new reversible sleeveless styles in plum and wisteria, camel and white, or light blue and cobalt, offers an array of gift ideas.

In addition, there are cotton and wool, and the especially popular sleeveless chunky styles in varied colors, solids, and patterns continue to be in demand.

Keeping warm in one of Hedy's fabulous Shearling coats or jackets is pure pleasure. Available in all lengths and in the full spectrum of colors, they are super soft and very big sellers.

For those heading to southern climates for the holidays or thereafter, a full selection of resort wear is on hand, with a wonderful display of brighter than usual pastels the key.

"Everything is about color," explain Rachel and Lynn. "We have a full range of dressy, separates, and casual wear in cotton, linens, and blends. Just a super look."

Jewelry for the holidays is a must, and Hedy offers an intriguing selection, including the very popular oversized faux pearls, such an important look now.

Creed perfume, so admired by many celebrities, is exclusive to Hedy in the Princeton area, and Wolford hosiery and bodywear is also in stock.

New to the store — and to the U.S. — this year are the Lulu Guinness travel accessories from England, including handbags and make-up cases, all with their signature whimsical design.

Also available are the "bracelet" beaded and sequined evening bags of designer Lily Scott in an array of colors. Bright and sparkling, they are worn on the wrist like a bracelet.

The day-to-evening bags of Leslie Hsu are always in demand, and just in is a selection of Frank Daniels' novelty bags in pony and nylon, made in Italy. Very handsome in assorted shapes and sizes, they include a large briefcase style, which could hold a laptop.

Men seeking a special gift for the ladies in their life are invited to "Men's Night" on Wednesday, December 13 from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Fashion guidance will be gladly supplied, and cocktails and hors d'oeuvres served.

Hedy offers gift certificates and gift wrapping, and is open Monday through Saturday 10 to 5:30, Thursday until 8, Sunday 12 to 4.

1946: 4.6 million U.S. workers go on strike, Timex watches are introduced, and TOWN TOPICS begins publication.

Ready, Get Set ... Go!

The Great Holiday Gift Marathon has begun, and you can get a head start with a little bit of help from your friends at TOWN TOPICS.

To get you going, here is a totally eclectic selection of good things that we have seen around town.

For the fastidious traveler, pretty printed linen shoe covers, laundry bags, and suitcase fresheners, starting at $19 for the shoe covers, are offered at **Ashton-Whyte** on South Main Street in Pennington.

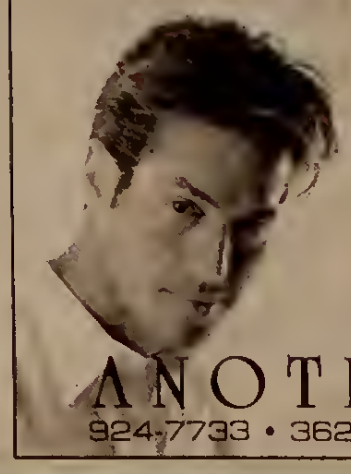
Beaded and embroidered little boxes from India, with a tiny mirror, are a perfect home for a special piece of jewelry. These are $14 at **Oh No So Ho** in the Southfield Center on the Princeton-Hightstown Road in West Windsor.

All the good cooks will want the one-liter bottle of imported Italian Extra Virgin Olive Oil at $23.99 from **Lucy's Ravioli** on State Road, and a super stocking stuffer is sticks of Italian sealing wax in bright colors, $7.94 at **Triangle Creative Center,** Route One and Darrah Lane.

The same store has the original wire Slinky for $2.95 — still a big favorite in a high tech age!

And finally, shoes will slide on without an itch, hitch, or glitch with the extra-long shoehorn, available in assorted bright colors at Hulit's for $5.

Stay tuned — more to come!



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Learning Express in the Princeton Shopping Center is a joyful toy store, with an enthusiastic young staff brimming with fun and energy. The toys are original and imaginative, and many new items this year will provide hours of pleasure for lucky kids.

Almost as good as the real thing, the Biocybie dog is an interactive pet toy with remote control. You can feed it, it guards the door, barks when hungry, and will move in all directions. $29.98.

Another popular interactive toy is the Scoozie, which features the most unusual animal pets — otters, ferrets, bush babies, and pine martens, among others. They will purr when stroked and growl when poked! Mini Scoozies, at $9, are adorable, and like the larger ones, come with a care manual and batteries.

A new learning game is GeoSafari, a miniature laptop computer that interacts with the players, giving information about geography, history, geology, astronomy, and animals. Another fun learning game is Great States, with 300 question cards offering everything you ever wanted to know about the locations, capitals, etc. of all the states.

Smaller children will enjoy the Piano Stepper, a colorful piano mat with notes kids play with their feet. It will play tunes, and is available at $40.

Girls still love Madeline, and there is an exact replica of the famous "Old House in Paris." Many accessories can be purchased, including a resident Madeline doll for the house. Also for girls, ages 7 to 10, the "Groovy Girls" dolls are very retro, in far-out colors with a fun wardrobe for their clothes.

Your own groovy girl would love the PetroGlo Cool Clock, an alarm clock with a colorful translucent shell and alarm that flashes and beeps.

"My 9-year-old daughter loves this!" says owner John Sherman about the mini school locker. Just like the real thing, in painted metal that can be personalized, it features a tiny padlock for keeping little treasures safe.

Almost everything in the store can be personalized at no charge. Favorites are colorful boxes and trunks for kids of all ages, also coin banks, trinket boxes, etc.

The Harry Potter phenomenon continues, with games, magic kits, and a Wizard Wand set. Harry Potter jigsaw puzzles are in three different designs, and glow in the dark to reveal a "Secret Message." ($9.95).

Of great appeal to boys and their dads, the Rokenbok monorail set features remote-controlled cars on a monorail track. The cars can be loaded and unloaded as they transport cargo around the track. Kids love it!

Learning Express offers gift certificates and gift wrapping, and is open Monday through Wednesday 9:30 to 8, Thursday and Friday until 9, Saturday until 6, Sunday 11 to 5.

A gift of jewelry is a special holiday tradition, and **Forest Jewelers** on Nassau Street specializes in jewelry not found anywhere else. "We pick the two or three most unusual and attractive pieces from each designer," says owner Mitch Forest, who designs and manufactures many of his own pieces. "This year we have more special jewelry than ever before, In all categories."

Diamonds, rubies, emeralds and sapphires are the focus in a dazzling array of rings, bracelets, earrings and necklaces. An extensive selection of diamond solitaire earrings is available in several different price points, starting at $300.

Magnificent multicolored strands of South Sea pearls, designed by Mr. Forest, are in colors ranging from smoky black to pale gold. "These pearls are drop-dead gorgeous!" says Mr. Forest, and they are available as earrings, necklaces, bracelets, and pendants.

Forest's also carries the line of Hearts on Fire diamonds, described as "the world's most perfectly cut diamonds." Truly exquisite, they offer prices starting at $1,900. There is also a large selection of jewelry featuring Tanzanite, the much prized violet-blue stone.

Briolette cut stones, with facets on the entire surface, are very popular, as is an especially attractive citrine pendant, set in 18k gold.

Unusual jewelry on display includes rings, earrings, and pendants with inlaid opals in glowing colors. Another best-selling collection, Silver Seasons, is inspired by nature. These lovely pieces, copies of leaves, flowers, berries, and fruits, are made of bronze with hand enameling. Delicate leaf necklaces and acorn earrings are in soft, natural colors, and a pin with blackberries, made from tiny black pearls, is $40.

Chalcedony, a soft blue stone resembling a star sapphire but much less costly, is available, surrounded by diamonds, in a beautiful ring of 18k white gold. An exquisite enameled pin represents a pink dogwood blossom, and another charming pin features a diamond-studded ladybug.

Forest's carries a wide range of classic jewelry, such as three-stone rings and gold bracelets, as well as pieces from Italy, England, and Germany. There is something for everyone, including a large variety of estate jewelry. Often one-of-a-kind, there are cameos, diamonds, watches, and wonderful pins.

Gifts for men include very elegant cuff links in sterling

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silver, gold, or enamel, as well as signet rings and wristwatches. There are also many sterling silver baby gifts.

Gift certificates and gift wrapping are available, and hours are Monday through Saturday 9:30 to 5:30, Thursday and Friday until 7:30, Sunday 12 to 5. Hours will be extended nearer Christmas.

Holiday shopping at **Luttmann's** is a "must." This fine leather goods store has offered Princeton the highest quality service and selection for 96 years. A true Princeton tradition!

"When you look for a special gift, you want the person to know you spent time thinking about it, that it has special meaning," says owner Frank Ricatto.

Lucky travelers will certainly enjoy the great assortment of luggage from Tumi, Andiamo, Boyt, Travelpro, Hartmann, and French.

Wheeled luggage continues to be very important, and there is a multitude of styles, shapes, colors, and functions. Ballistic nylon is very popular, and Cordura nylon in the middle to lower price range is also very durable.

FROM THE FARM: Pam Mount, owner of Terhune Orchards, holds a basket of the farm's famous apples. The annual and very popular "Apple Tree Wassailing" will be held January 21, when everyone is invited to the orchard to ring bells, beat drums, and dance to encourage new apple growth, and watch the Molly Dancers celebrate this old English tradition.

Business needs are in full supply, with high quality brief, attache, and computer cases from such lines as Ghurka, Atlas, Coach, Hartmann, Tumi, and Jack Georges. Both leather and Ballistic nylon are popular, and new this year is a selection of wheeled business cases, which are becoming hot sellers.

Women's handbags are another specialty at Luttmann's, and the variety from Coach, Ghurka, Longchamp, and Dooney & Bourke is outstanding. Unique bags, such as the Pliages line from Longchamp, are big items this year. In waterproof nylon with leather handles, these lightweight, collapsible bags, range from small handbags to tote and market-size bags. In assorted colors, they are priced from $60 to $110.

Wallets for men and women offer many proportions and functions, and there is also a selection of exceptionally fine men's leather belts from Trafalgar.

Organizers are an increasingly important part of people's busy lives today, and Luttmann's offers a variety from Filofax, Ghurka, and Debon.

Small leather bound pocket address books, desk calendars, and diaries are among a variety of gift items under $40. There are also manicure sets, and a broad selection of small leather boxes, jewelry boxes, leather travel jewelry cases, and desk accessories, many made of bridle leather from England.

Even in our high tech age of faxes and e-mail, people still write letters. Luttmann's has a wonderful selection of fine pens from Mont Blanc, Waterman, Parker, Montegrappa, Pelikan, and Faber Castell.

The store is carrying more gloves than ever this year, including leather, fleece and wool for men and women in many styles and colors, from $22.

Luttmann's will hold its seventh annual Ghurka trunk show on Friday, December 1 and Saturday, December 2. Ghurka representatives will

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The Christmas Shop at Stony Brook Gardens, located at Route 31 North and Yard Road in Pennington, always has a sparkling display of holiday decorations and gifts.

This year, the decorated trees are outstanding, especially the new array of "Jester" or "Mardi Gras" decorations in brilliant jewel colors. Many ornaments feature Harlequin patterns in gold, silver, purple, and hot pink, and are very reasonably priced. A purple feathered peacock with sequin trim is $2.99, and a sparkling shoe with glitter and feathers is $9.99.

Other theme trees feature Winter White decor, a variety of angels, the always popular glittering gold, a gardener's tree, and a most unusual collection of bird and animal decorations, many made of all-natural materials. A selection of lovely enameled hanging ornaments would be suitable for display all year; the hummingbird and butterflies are especially beautiful, priced from $15.

Charming cloth-covered boxes for storing the most precious ornaments start at $25, and can hold 40 to 150 tree ornaments, a lovely gift that could become a family heirloom.

A special line of tree ornaments is designed to be personalized, and Stony Brook Gardens will do this free of charge in the space provided on the ornament. This is a favorite with children, pet lovers, gardeners, and sports buffs. Also popular are sets of 12 red-ribboned Christmas ball ornaments, depicting the Twelve Days of Christmas, and offered in pretty hexagonal boxes ($19).

Everything you need for holiday decor is here, as well as many great gifts. Lace table scarves with holly motif are $27.50, and there are outstanding patchwork and velvet table runners. Linen lace wall hangings feature holiday themes, and a European linen table runner with scalloped edge and delicate embroidery of trees and flowers is $10.50.

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Farm Fresh

Stopping in at **Terhune Orchards** on Cold Soil Road is a tradition for area residents, and it's never more popular than during the holidays. The country setting and farm atmosphere, with the variety of animals and special farm trail, is reminiscent of times past, and the friendly staff offers a warm welcome.

It's also a pleasure to sip hot cider and taste a fresh donut, as you browse among the tempting display of goodies in the farm store.

Especially known for its wonderful assortment of apples and cider, which can be shipped to faraway friends and relatives, Terhune's also has a super selection of fresh-baked pies (including sugarless) from $7.75, delicious fruit crisps, blueberry cakes, cobblers, fruit breads, gingerbread, and irresistible cookies, including traditional Christmas cookies and gingerbread men and houses.

Customers can create gift baskets and boxes, filling them exclusively with fruit or a mix of fruit, baked goods, assorted gourmet jams, jellies, local honeys, and spreads, coffees and teas. Delivery in Princeton is available.

Terhune's also offers fresh flowers, as well as special tulips, daffodils, and freesia, and traditional holiday cyclamen.

Fresh cut Douglas fir trees, wreaths and roping are available, and special Williamsburg-style wreaths, handcrafted by owner Pam Mount, with apples, pomegranates, lemons, limes, pine cones, and other seasonal items, are holiday favorites.

Terhune's is open Monday through Friday 9 to 6, weekends until 5.

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A WORK OF ART: Lisa Lesko, Rider University student intern at The Wifliams Galfery, is wearing one of the beautiful hand-beaded necklaces made by designer Tatiana Alexeeva of Moscow. A wide selection of her unique beaded jewelry, described as "works of art", incfudes bracefets and earrings, and is availabfe at the gallery.

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Stony Brook carries the wonderful Woolrich blankets, known for their high quality. fn soft reds, greens, and other color combinations, these are a welcome winter gift. Also popular are the leather brass bell straps from a Pennsylvania Dutch harness maker company. Priced from $8.99, these come in many sizes, and are fun by the fireplace or door.

The famous Stony Brook Polar Bear family is again in residence, ready to have photographs taken with children. This very popular feature begins this weekend, and the pictures can be made into Christmas cards.

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fn the greenhouse are many holiday plants, including poinsettia, poinsettia trees, cyclamen, amaryllis, and paper white narcissus. There is a large selection of wreaths, decorated and undecorated, and all the ribbons, cones, and embellishment for do-it-yourself decorators. Roping, garlands, and greenery, including holly, juniper, and cedar, are another specialty.

Christmas trees are now on sale, with Fraser, Douglas, Canadian, and balsam fir cut trees, also blue and Norway spruce, Douglas fir, white pine, and dwarf Alberta spruce live trees.

Stony Brook offers gift certificates, and is open Monday through Saturday 9 to 6, Sunday until 5.

The happiest feet in Princeton walk in and out of **Hulit's Shoes** on Nassau Street. For more than 70 years, Hulit's has provided high quality footwear for the whole family, with the emphasis on comfort.

Slippers — always a welcome holiday gift, and sheepskin-lined or fleecy styles for men, women, and children are offered in many looks, starting at $30. For women, they are soft and fluffy in hot pink, purple, or leopard prints, and more elegant styles in gold kid and brocade. Faux leopard skin mules have a little heel, and would be fun at parties!

The best-selling men's slippers are soft-soled sheepskin boot types, at $65, and also charcoal moccasins in Polartec fleece. Classic leather slippers in burgundy, tan, and black are available from $46.

Kids love the acorn slipper sox in bright colors, including purple, turquiose, scarlet, and navy, as well as multicolored. There are tiny slippers for tiny toes, sizes newborn to six months, and fuzzy fluffy slippers in many colors with non-skid soles for older tots (in the $22 range).

Hulit's also carries the deluxe Elefantan shoes and boots, and has the largest selection of children's outdoor shoes and waterproof snow boots in the area.

For the ladies, the popular Santana boots are guaranteed waterproof, and new styles, some in black reversed sheepskin, are especially attractive. A dressy version features three-inch heels.

Boiled wool clogs, some with ribbon trim, are also best sellers. Dansko clogs for women, in various pretty colors, can be worn year-round. Other popular and supercomfortable women's shoes are by BeautiFeei, and Munro America, known for hard-to-find widths.

The sturdy, waterproof and indestructible Timberland boots and shoes for men, women, and children come in many styles, and continue to be best-sellers. Australian sheepskin boots by UGG are light as a feather, and very durable, and also a big favorite.

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and sneakers by Geox, made in Italy, in the $40 range. Called "the shoe that breathes," they let in the air, but keep moisture away, so feet stay warm and dry.

Hulit's also carries an extensive line of socks — surely an all-time favorite holiday gift and stocking stuffer! Polartec offers extra-light exceptionally soft, comfortable, and warm socks in many colors — the best for wearing in boots.

Traditional wool socks, cushioned, non-itch and non-shrinking, start at $10, and there is a wide variety of quality men's hose for all occasions.

Other great cold weather gifts are the super-warm and light Polartec fleece mittens by Acorn, in red and charcoal, and a variety of many brightly colored hats, caps, and scarves, in the $15 and up range.

Gift certificates are available, and hours are Monday through Wednesday 9:30 to 6, Thursday until 7, Saturday until 5:30, Sunday 12 to 4.

TOP-OF-THE-LINE: Frank Ricatto, owner of Luttmann's on Witherspoon Street, is shown in front of the store window, which is all ready for the holidays (complete with the popular LGB train). In addition to the superb selection of fine leather goods, Luttmann's offers a variety of gift items, including the highest quality chess boards, pieces, and tables.

"A-One-Of-A-Kind" replicas by artist Susan Dell are really what their name says they are — one-of-a-kind. Her miniature wooden houses are replicas of the originals, and homeowners are delighted with such a unique depiction of their home.

"These make wonderful anniversary gifts," says Ms. Dell. "They are also a very nice remembrance when people move away. Sometimes, neighbors get together to give someone a replica of their house when they move. They are also nice for married kids or for kids going away to college."

She adds that they are very suitable for display on a window sill, chair rail, or mantel, and although there isn't time for a miniature to be ready for this Christmas, gift certificates are available, and she will be able to fill orders for January.

Attention to detail is the key in her work, says Ms. Dell, who has a background in art, and who started by making miniatures of her friends' houses.

"The first year, I made four for Christmas gifts, and I tried to make them special, including putting pets by the front door and adding landscaping details."

Now, she has made more than 200 houses and buildings — everything from farmhouses, barns and log cabins to town houses, a funeral home, and a 1707 pre-Revolutionary house in Pennsylvania.

Ms. Dell takes photographs of the house (or they are sent to her if clients are far away). Working at her kitchen table, she makes detailed drawings of the house on graph paper, and then her husband Steve Dellaira, cuts out a piece of wood to match.

She then paints the miniature to match the original. "People send me all kinds of paint samples, even shingles from their roof! They want it to be exact," she smiles.

Details, such as pets, trees, bushes, flowers, wreaths on doors, candles in windows, are also important.

"Some people like a Christmas theme," she notes. "Others want spring or summer, with plantings. Sometimes, people want two views of the house — front and side, for example. Only one side of the house is painted."

Ms. Dell spends anywhere from one to six weeks, typically three, on a house, depending on the size and detail. Houses are a minimum of $500.

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One hardly knows where to begin at **Creative Hands** in the Montgomery Center! With countless items in every style and price range, this extremely popular store is a gift-giver's dream. There is truly something for everyone.

Holiday decorations are super this year, with an outstanding selection of handmade tree ornaments. Exquisite pewter snowflakes, like those used on the White House Christmas tree, are $16.50. Anodized aluminum stars are in vivid colors, and there are painted eggs, velvet angels, painted wooden spinning tops, and amusing tin animals, including a bright blue reindeer, at $24.

A painted grasshopper with brass legs hangs next to a selection of real leaves — ginkgo, aspen, holly, and lacy cottonwood, all plated in 18k gold. Stars, snowmen, and trees in translucent jewel-toned resin, are in wonderful colors of amethyst, sapphire, and jade at $18.

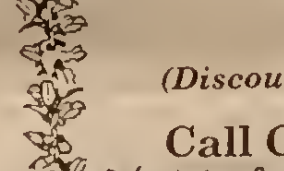
Creative Hands has an extended line of Judaica, and new this year are many attractive menorahs in wood, metal, glass, and ceramic. Hanukkah candles come in varied shapes and sizes, and the popular Rosenthal line of candlesticks and mezuzahs in metal and fused glass feature wonderful colors.

The best-selling Brighton collection of jewelry and accessories makes great gifts, as does the sterling silver jewelry by Svetlana and Echo of the Dreamer, with beautiful necklaces, earrings, and bracelets available.

The store offers an increased selection of women's clothing and accessories, including gorgeous party handbags, beaded, and in cut velvet and silk. A black satin oval box style is topped with vividly colored silk roses ($30), and a beaded bronze bag with long glass-beaded shoulder strap, is $40. The dramatic fuschia and gold shot-silk wrist bag with heavy beaded embroidery is a knockout at $54.

In addition, there are beautiful chenille scarves, handwoven strand by strand, in wonderful shadings of colors. Silk handpainted scarves are works of art, priced from $40. Very dramatic fleece gauntlet gloves, ribboned and buttoned, are $48.

Handmade boxes of inlaid wood are in bird's-eye maple, ebony, purple heart, and English sycamore in the $100 range, and a turned wooden potpourri bowl with pierced pewter cover is $32.



Movie Time

Just about everyone likes to take in a good movie, and the selection at **Palmer Video** at 47A State Road has something for every taste.

More than 5000 films are available to rent, with many to purchase, and a video is a sure-to-please holiday gift. Christmas wouldn't be Christmas without watching those great holiday classics: *It's A Wonderful Life*, *Miracle on 34th Street*, *The Bishop's Wife*, *A Christmas Carol*, and *White Christmas*.

And for the kids, *Toy Story 2*, *Pokeymon 2000*, and *Fantasia 2000*, as well as the Game Boy video games and all the latest formats in video games, are in stock. In addition, the very hard-to-get *Ploy Stotion 2* with accompanying video games is available for rental, and will please all ages.

Another holiday special is the store's assortment of gift packages of boxed sets, including movies, TV documentaries, and mini series, priced from $29. The Stanley Kubrick Collection, Ken Burns' *Baseball*, and the original *Avenger* TV series are all popular.

Premier Video is known for its eclectic selection in all categories, which includes many hard-to-get classics and foreign films, and rentals are categorized by directors and countries.

In addition, the growing popularity of DVDs (Digital Video Disks) is evidenced by the store's extensive assortment for sale and rental. Both videos and DVDs are available for rent at four nights and five days for $2.99. Thursday is "Penny Day": rent one, get a second for a penny. Purchase prices start at $9.95.

There is also a special section of Previously Viewed videos, including recent releases, for sale at $6.99.

Premier Video specializes in the video transfer of all formats of film, including foreign films to VHS. A holiday offer includes transferring family slides or old home movies to video tape, with music of the customer's choice added free of charge, as well as a free extra copy. There is still time to order for Christmas.

The store also offers an extensive accessory department, as well as quality VCRs for sale from $99.

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A set of four brass and copper napkin rings at $32 and a large gilt pill box with rare wood inlay, also $32, make great gifts, and there are picture frames in all styles. Children will love the beautiful Bella Luz nightlights, with handpainted color transparencies, framed in copper, showing flowers, butterflies, animals and angels, from $26.

Creative Hands offers gift certificates and gift wrapping, and hours are Monday through Friday 10 to 8, Saturday until 6, Sunday 11 to 5.

Wonderful woolens at excellent prices can be found at **Landau's**, the long-time landmark store on Nassau Street.

Not only are many of Landau's prized woolens exclusive to the store, some cannot be found anywhere else in the U.S. In this category are the visually stunning hand-knit jackets of Icelandic wool, made in Yugoslavia. These "collector's items" are works of art, with their gorgeous colors and appliqued and embroidered decoration, in the $395 range.

Another Landau exclusive is the handwoven jackets by Annikki Karvinen of Finland. Famous for their architectural and artistic design, and flattering style, these are also "collected" by discerning customers.

Scarves are a perfect holiday gift, and the brushed lambswool from Ireland has the soft feel of cashmere. These are in plaids and solids, starting at $15. One hundred percent cashmere scarves, also from Ireland, are $79. For women, pure silk 54-inch squares in brilliant geometric designs by Annikki Karvinen are $100.

A popular specialty of the store is a range of extremely pretty angora and acrylic cardigans, fully lined in silk. These cloud-soft sweaters, in white, black, and assorted colors, are very appealing, a great gift at $169. For holiday parties, a striking vest in black with hand appliques of Christmas motif and colorful embroidery is just the thing at $42.

The always popular mohair and brushed wool throws are made in Ireland, and priced from $49. Perfect for snuggling up on a chilly evening, the larger ones, in many colors and patterns, are $79.

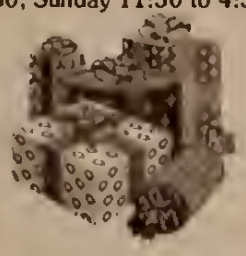
For men, the lightweight Loden coats from Austria are in wool or cashmere, and are perennial best-sellers. Women's Loden coats, a Landau staple, are now available in more contemporary styles and colors, and are unequalled for style and warmth.

As always, there is an outstanding array of very attractively-priced men's sweaters — tweedy, colorful, or lightweight, in Shetland wool, merino wool, cashmere, and silk. Another best seller is a woman's wool cardigan in terrific colors, with brass buttons and two large pockets, at $59.

In what is becoming a Landau tradition, Oli the Fishman, from Iceland, will be at the store on November 24, 25, and 26, with Icelandic smoked salmon to taste, or order.

The store will also host the annual "Transformations" craft show, featuring crafts for sale from area artists through December 27.

Landau's offers gift certificates, and hours are Monday through Saturday 9:30 to 5:30, Sunday 11:30 to 4:30.



A new look — new cut — new color — for you or for someone on your list is available at **Chelsea Crimpers** on Spring Street. This popular salon for women and men offers a variety of hair and nail services.

A series of special gift packages, featuring a combination of services, can be customized to the individual. Gift certificates for retail items, including hair, nail and skin products, are also available, and these can be combined with services as well. The L'Oreal, Redken, Nexus, and Artec lines are offered, among others.

In addition, a variety of gift packages are offered on Chelsea Crimpers' website. "Bath and Body Wash Collection," "Pamper Pack," "Jilbere Dryer and Iron Pack," and "Hair & Body for That Special Guy" are among those available, starting at $20.

Color is very important for the holidays, and Chelsea Crimpers is known for its expertise, whether it's to cover gray, highlight existing color, or create a total change.

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CREATIVE DESIGN: The partners of Birds of a Feather in Kingston show off some of the shop's specialties. From left to right, Marcy Kahn is holding a chalk board, set in a vintage frame; Shelley Roe is seated at the custom handpainted dresser; and Anne Battle is shown with a handmade pillow in vintage French fabric.

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Chelsea Crimpers is open Tuesday and Thursday 9 to 8, Wednesday and Friday until 6, Saturday 9 to 4:30. Website: www.oursalon2u.com

This holiday season, **The Williams Gallery** on Chambers Street features the work of artists from around the world. Australia, Belgium, China, Japan, Mexico, the Netherlands, Russia, and the U.S. are among the countries represented.

Paintings, sculpture, and works on paper will be displayed, including some "unusual and exquisitely detailed" paintings of dolls by Colin Smith. Among the many other collectible items are laminated acrylic cubes and sculpture by Belgian artist Vasa.

For the art connoisseur, small drawings, paintings, and prints by Susumu Endo, Margaret K. Johnson, Robin Gary Wood, Joerg Schmeisser, Tamekane, and Rolf Weijburg are offered. Also available is a special showing of paintings and prints of the Princeton area, both historic and impressionistic, with prices from $125.

A limited number of mini-posters, Currier & Ives, and other reproduction prints is also offered, ranging from $30 to $1,200.

The Williams Gallery again has a wonderful "seasonal selection" of hand-blown ornaments by glass artists Buechner, Kuster, Harkenrider, as well as beautiful reverse handpainted glass ornaments from China, featuring varied scenes, and available in special boxes. All ornaments are priced from $14 to $150.

The gallery is open Tuesday through Saturday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday noon to 5.

In addition, a broad selection of art by both digital and traditional artists is available on the gallery's website: http://www.wmgallery.com

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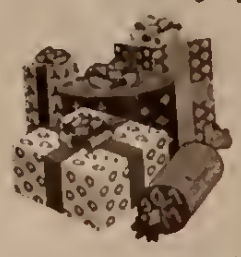

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"It is even possible to add sound effects, a line from 'your' special song, or your own voice," says Ms. Kramer. "It's a perfect gift for recording a special event, or to tell a life story for a milestone birthday or anniversary."

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MATCHLESS MINIATURES: "Each house is different. They will have all the special details, such as plantings, pets at the door — all the things that make it unique, and each is signed and dated, with the owner's name and address on the back." Artist Susan Dell, who makes "A-One-of-a-Kind" miniature replica houses, is shown with two samples of her work.

Unique gifts and accessories from all over the world are on display at **Shop the World at the Salty Dog** on Spring Street. Full of never-ending surprises, this cozy little shop offers an ever-changing selection of hand-done items from artisans, craft cooperatives, and family-run work shops in villages in Thailand, Laos, Bali, Nepal, Tibet, Indian, South and Central America, and Africa, among others.

Also, because Shop the World is a member of the fair trade federation, when shoppers take away a unique gift, they know that the person who made it will benefit directly.

This store is truly a treasure trove of stocking stuffers! Lots and lots of small-sized items are in every nook and cranny in many affordable price ranges. Wonderful boxes in assorted sizes, including tiny papier maché, also wood, stone, and bone, are priced from $6. A lovely gift idea is hiding a pair of earrings or other treasure within the box as an added surprise.

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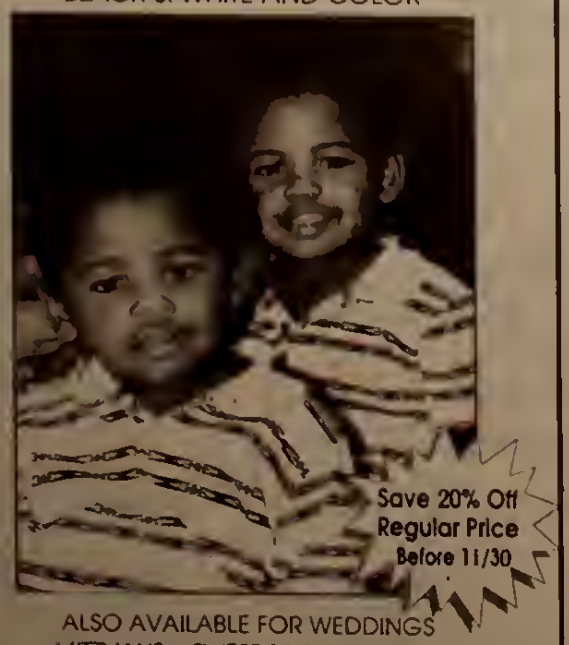

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CALENDAR

Wednesday, November 22

7:30: Meet the Mayors, Township Mayor Phyllis Marchand with guests Dick and Vicky Bergman, co-chairpersons, 50th Anniversary of the Princeton Jewish Center. Topic to include Princeton Historical Society's exhibit on 200 years of Princeton Jewish history. Rerun of September broadcast.

8-10:30 p.m.: Princeton Country Dancers, Suzanne Patterson Center, Monument Drive (behind Borough Hall).

Thursday, November 23 Thanksgiving

11 a.m.: University Chapel Thanksgiving Community Service; Chapel.

Friday, November 24

5 p.m.: Annual tree lighting; Palmer Square.

8 p.m.: *Heortbreak House;* Hun School Auditorium. Also Saturday at 8, Sunday at 2.

8 p.m.: *Swingtime* Canteen; Off-Broadstreet Theatre, Hopewell. Also Saturday at 8 and Sunday at 2:30

Saturday, November 25

12 noon-12 midnight: Princeton Country Dancers, Suzanne Patterson Center, Monument Drive (behind Borough Hall); first annual "ButterBall," Thanksgiving holiday weekend 12-hour dance.

1 p.m.: *The Nutcracker;* McCarter Theatre. Also at 4:30. Also Saturday and Sunday at 1 and 4:30

8 p.m.: New Jersey Symphony Orchestra; Richardson Auditorium.

Sunday, November 26

8 p.m.: Concert Royal; Richardson Auditorium.

Monday, November 27

7 p.m.: Township Committee, Valley Road Building.

7:30 p.m.: Township Sidewalk & Bikeway Advisory Committee, Township Hall, 369 Witherspoon Street.

Tuesday, November 28

4 p.m. "Introduction to the Internet," Hands-on computer class at the Princeton Public Library, 65 Witherspoon Street. Call 924-9529, extension 221, to register.

7 p.m.: Regional Schools Board of Education, John Witherspoon School. Special meeting to consider referendum.

7:30 p.m.: Borough Council, Borough Hall.

Wednesday, November 29

4:30 p.m.: Scott Turow, novelist, introduced by Paul Muldoon; Richardson Auditorium.

7:30: Meet the Mayors, Township Mayor Phyllis Marchand with guests Ceci Martin and Helen Xu, practitioners of Falundafa Exercise Program, discussing Falundafa Week, December 4-10. Live. Call-in: 252-2379.

8-10:30 p.m.: Princeton Country Dancers, Suzanne Patterson Center, Monument Drive (behind Borough Hall).

Thursday, November 30

7:30 p.m.: Regional Planning Board, Township Municipal Building. Special meeting.

7:30 p.m.: Joint Recreation Board, Princeton Recreation Department conference Room (lower level), 380 Witherspoon Street.

8 p.m.: Princeton University Wind Ensemble; Richardson Auditorium.

Friday, December 1

12:30 p.m.: "Rendering Faith: George Inness and Swedenborgianism in American Art," Gallery Talk, at the Princeton University Art Museum, by Mark D. Mitchell, graduate student, Department of Art and Archaeology.

4:30 p.m.: Michael Cadden, Lawrence Danson, Paul Muldoon, Jeff Nunokawa, Elaine Showalter, on the centenary of the death of Oscar Wilde; Film Theater, 185 Nassau Street.

8 p.m.: Princeton University Chamber Choir; Richardson Auditorium.

8 p.m.: The Colors of Christmas, Westminster Jubilee Singers; Bristol Chapel, Westminster Choir College.

8 p.m.: *Heartbreak House;* Hun School Auditorium. Also Saturday at 8.

8 p.m.: Swingtime Canteen; Off-Broadstreet Theatre, Hopewell. Also Saturday at 8 and Sunday at 2:30.

Saturday, December 2

11 a.m.: "Our Princeton Paddock," Gallery Talk for Children at the Princeton University Art Museum, by Museum docent Marcia Rothschild.

4 p.m.: A Christmas MusicFest, Westminster Singers; Bristol Chapel, Westminster Choir College. Also at 8.

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THEATER REVIEW

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Is this England, Or Is It a Madhouse? "Heartbreak House" Brings Romance, Despair, and Social Satire to Rep Stage

BUSINESS vs. WISDOM: Curtis Kaine (left) as the hard-nosed businessman Boss Mangan meets his match in the eccentric old seaman Captain Shotover, M.A. Young, in Westwind Repertory Company's rehearsals of George Bernard Shaw's "Heartbreak House," playing through December 2 on The Hun School campus.

Heortbreok House is, all at once, the title of George Bernard Shaw's dramatic comedy, the Sussex country house in which the play is set, and a microcosm of English society at the start of World War I. The ten characters who populate the house, which is decorated to resemble a ship and presided over by the eccentric old Captain Shotover, are variously described as "a favorable specimen of what is best in our English culture," "a madhouse," and "heartbroken imbeciles."

This funny, deadly serious, brilliant allegorical drama is packed with Shaw's ideas — at times shocking, at times outrageous, always thought-provoking and containing more than a little truth — on men and women, on romantic and pragmatic love, on money and business, on men of business and men of leisure, on wars between nations and between the sexes, on youth and age, and on navigation, literal and figurative.

"Learn your business as an Englishman," Shotover warns his son-in law, who asks him about "this ship we are all in? This soul's prison we call England?" "Navigation," growls Shotover. "Learn it and live; or leave it and be damned."

Colorful, Compelling Production

The ambitious Westwind Repertory Company, in residence for two more weekends at The Hun School in Princeton, has, under the direction of Dale Simon, put together a colorful and compelling, though demanding, production.

In his long preface to the play, Shaw describes Heartbreak House as "cultured, leisured Europe before the war." He compares his play to Chekhov's *The Cherry Orchord* in its depiction of "the house in which Europe was stifling its soul; and he (Chekhov) knew that our utter enervation and futilization in that overheated drawingroom atmosphere was delivering the world over to the control of ignorant and soulless cunning and energy, with the frightful consequences that have now overtaken it."

The core of the play features Ellie Dunn (Tammy Koehler), a youthful visitor to the house who becomes thoroughly absorbed in its enchantments, and Shotover, a crusty 88-year-old sea captain and inventor who sold himself to the devil many years before in Zanzibar and now struggles as best he can against the various forces of evil that surround him. Both newcomers to Westwind, Ms. Koehler, in her dewy-eyed charming innocence, soon transformed into sterner more pragmatic stuff; and Mr. Paterson, slim, with long white hair, beard and mustache and bursting with frenetic energy, are worthy counterparts and linchpins of the production.

Ellie, invited by Shotover's middle-aged daughter Hesione Hushabye (Janet Quartarone), arrives at the house at the start of the play, and thus, under Hesione's tutelage, begins Ellie's education in the ways of the world. Her first lesson comes as a disillusionment in romance, when she discovers that her secret romantic interest is none other than Hesione's husband Hector (Nicholas Andrefsky).

Westwind Repertory Company's "Heartbreak House" will run for two more weekends, with performances at 8 p.m. on November 24, 25, December 1, 2 and at 2 p.m. November 26 at The Hun School on Edgerstoune Road. Call (609) 397-7331 for reservations and further information.

Ellie's father Mazzini Dunn (Brian Bara) and her father's business partner and Ellie's prospective husband Boss Mangan (Curtis Kaine) appear at the house soon afterwards and plunge into romantic and moral labyrinths of their own. The second phase of Ellie's education, her disillusionment with the man of business Mangan, follows directly. More heartbreaks ensue.

Meanwhile, Shotover's second daughter, the elegant and proper Lady Utterword (Barbara Hatch), wife of Sir Hastings Utterword, "governor of all the crown colonies in succession," arrives for a rare visit home, and, as always, is shocked by the eccentric styles of her father and sister, "and what is worse, the same disorder in ideas, in talk, in feeling." She is pursued by her flute-playing, egotistical, long-suffering brother-in-law, Randall "the Rotter" (Mark Moede), who appears near the end of the first of three acts and further complicates the romantic kaleidoscope. Nurse Guinness the housekeeper (Kathy Garofano) and a burglar (Jeffrey Davis) complete the company.

Intelligent, Skillful Direction

Mr. Simon has effectively orchestrated the shifting character relationships and encounters and has directed with intelligence and skill. The variety of British accents is mostly credible and unobtrusive, though occasionally lines, or parts of lines, get lost in the cavernous Hun School theater.

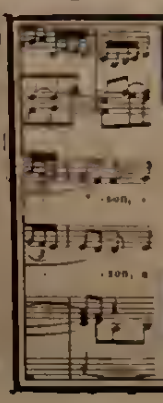
Heartbreok House does pose challenges for spectators as well as actors. Though this curious parable of life in England on the eve of World War I is in some ways uncharacteristic of Shaw's work, it is typical in addressing the minds rather than the emotions of his audiences. It is a play filled with ideas and social commentary, and, though rich in wit, humor and eloquence, the sophisticated dialogue and the play's three-hour duration make significant demands on contemporary playgoers and their capacity for concentrated listening. During the course of the evening, there are some slow moments in this thought-laden play.

The Westwind ensemble is a strong one. Often criticized for his one-dimensional, less than fully human characters, Shaw offers several of his finest creations here. These figures clearly manifest Shaw's political and social ideas, but at the same time their delightful, amusing idiosyncrasies provide depth and resonance. In addition to Mr. Patterson and Ms. Koehler, Ms. Quartarone and Ms. Hatch, as Shotover's rival daughters, and Mr. Andrefsky, as the dashing Hector Hushabye, provide particularly nuanced, multi-level character studies. Less subtle, and at times monotonous — admittedly provided with less to work with from the playwright — are Mr. Kaine and Mr. Moede in their allegorical roles as businessman and self-absorbed, unrequited lover, respectively.

From a Ship to a Garden

The sturdy, functional set by M.A. Young deftly evokes Captain Shotover's heavy-timbered ship, and cleverly transforms for the final act to an external scene in the garden. The colorful and appropriately idiosyncratic costumes by Melissa Updegraff Wyatt successfully complement the characterizations and the overall tone of the production.

Heortbreok House is George Bernard Shaw in his sixties, late in his playwriting career. It is among his wittiest and at the same time most serious creations, aimed at attacking, and correcting, what he saw as the essential, fatally flawed fabric of British social and political life. "The art of the dramatic poet knows no patriotism; recognizes no obligation but truth to natural history; cares not whether Germany or England perish." Shaw did, however, as England entered the dark days of World War I, decide to hold his play back until after the end of the war. "You cannot make war on war and on your neighbor at the same time," he reasoned. "War cannot bear the terrible castigation of comedy, the ruthless light of laughter that glares on the stage ... Truth telling is not compatible with the defence of the realm." Eighty years later, the play remains timely and contains much truth in its observations on our society and ourselves. **—Donald Gilpin**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MUSICAL COMEDY REVIEW

Triangle's "Puns of Steel" Couched in Crisis; With College and Electoral College Humor

The Princeton Triangle Club's 110th annual revue opens in crisis.

The cast of musical pranksters can only use a certain four letter word four times and the first two tumble off their tongues in quick succession.

Preventing the two remaining utterances becomes a running gag in this series of gags so long that they could have been tied together to let Rapunzel free herself without messing up her hair.

In fact, the whole show is couched in crisis. Called *Puns of Steel*, the production dissects itself from beginning to end, starting with the number, *Whot Do I Sing?* and concludes all the way, two and a half hours later, with *Sing o Song*. That first song asks, "What is it like to sing a song about nothing?"

The solo turns duet, then trio, next quartet, and finally into a full cast production number. If Andrew Lloyd Webber and Neil Simon had made "Seinfeld: The Musical," it might look something like this.

Topical Skits

The action is stopped, a "director" and "producer" step forward to correct the script, and strange discussion follows before the cast launches into the disjointed, topical skits that everyone came for anyway.

There's the argument in the desert over dessert. Both the Arab and the Jew want the dish. Solomon attempts to split it in two, but the Arab's god rides through on a bike and kicks it his way. What is it? "The Pie Allah Mode." Groan. Blackout.

An electoral college scene decries other lvies for their candidates, Yale's Bush and Harvard's Gore, In favor of Princeton's, Nader and Bradley. "Give Princeton a chance," the impersonated candidates sing, before launching into an extended hoofing segment with basketballs. It has some of the cutest lyrics in the whole show.

Other segments lampoon classic literature (as taught by a coach), construction on campus, Elian and the butterfly ballot. Some were funny. Others were like going grocery shopping without the list. You don't get everything. The recurring self-analysis was unnecessary. The sketch humor stood on its own.

As in years past, the student-led, professionally directed and staged production opens a run on the stage built for the club, the McCarter Theatre, then goes out on a national tour. The Princeton Triangle Club is the country's oldest college musical-comedy troupe and counts among its alumni F. Scott Fitzgerald, Booth Tarkington, James Stewart, José Ferrer, and Brooke Shields.

A Gifted Junior

Because students write the music, lyrics and sketches, quality is all over the map. The most consistently gifted contributor is North Plainfield junior Peter Kidd. His lyrics flow easily and his music always swings with an easy melody and a simple beat.

He wrote one of the three anchor pieces in the second act, *Third Degree Bernstein*, a 10-minute satire on Leonard Bernstein's *West Side Story*, pitting two gangs of rich against each other. It's the Old Money vs. the Nouveau Riche in a battle with platinum cards and flip phones over who gets to the flat tax first

The other mini-musicals in the second act also work: *Where's Wolrus?* a strange search for friendship among Norway's large marine mammal population, written by junior Ellie Kemper and senior Adam Ruben, and *Posto Lo Visto*, an opera *buffo* by Eric Bland and Robert Draper, both juniors.

Curiously, the most clever joke in the whole production is easily repeated. It's a program biography that reads, Zach Pincus-Roth '02 (writer, actor) This bio is Zach's 87th appearance In a Princeton theater playbill.

Back on stage, by the time *Puns of Steel* reaches the Triangle Club's signature moment, an all-male kick line, you're strangely rooting for the show's success, riveted by the camp, inspired by the drag, and not jaded by the silliness. By that time, the jokes are old, care is thrown to the wind and dresses are kicked high to reveal colorful boxers.

In their own way, these performers pull off far more than in *The Full Monty*.

—Frederick Kaimann

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Katherine McClure, flutist, and Esma Pasic-Filipovic, pianist, will appear in recital on Sunday, November 26 at 4 p.m. in Bristol Chapel on the campus of Westminster Choir College.

Included in the program will be *Melodies Possogères*, Op. 27, No. 1 by Samuel Barber; variations on *Trockne Blumen* by Franz Schubert, *Sonotino* by Bryan Kelley, and *Duo for Flute and Piono* by Aaron Copland.

Ms. McClure is on the faculties of both Westminster Conservatory and the Lawrenceville School. She earned her master's degree from Mason Gross School of the Arts, Rutgers Unviersity. She is an active freelance performer in the New Jersey and Delaware Valley area.

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AMC Hamilton has informed TOWN TOPICS it is unable to supply movie schedules in time for the paper's Tuesday deadline.

Jazz Ensemble Will Perform "Nutcracker Suite"

The Princeton University Concert Jazz Ensemble, directed by Anthony D.J. Branker, will perform Duke Ellington and Billy Strayhorn's adaptation of Peter Ilyich Tchaikovsky's *Nutcracker Suite* on Saturday, December 2. This interpretation of the original work features the distinctive Ellington-sound on such familiar melodies as "Dance of the Reed-Pipes," "Waltz of the Flowers," "Dance of the Sugar-Plum Fairies" and "Russian Dance."

The concert will begin at 8 p.m. in Richardson Auditorium in Alexander Hall, located on the Princeton campus. Also performing will be the University Art Blakey Ensemble and Jazz Ensemble II. Tickets are $20 ($10 for students with Princeton University I.D.; $10 Senior Citizens; $5 Children under 12) and may be purchased at the Box Office in Alexander Hall, 258-5000.

The Princeton University Concert Jazz Ensemble enjoys a reputation as one of the most outstanding collegiate jazz groups in the country. These students, and others in Princeton's national award-winning jazz program, have appeared in concert with such internationally renowned jazz artists as Clark Terry, Phil Woods, Slide Hampton, Jimmy Heath, Jon Faddis, Frank Foster, Benny Carter, Ted Curson, and Stanley Jordan.

Throughout the years, the Princeton University Jazz Ensemble program has undertaken some extremely challenging projects in concert programming. They have performed *The Sacred Concert Music* of Duke Ellington with the University Glee Club and Gospel Ensemble, Duke Ellington and Billy Strayhorn's monumental work the *Far East Suite*, and Dizzy Gillespie and Lalo Schifrin's afrocentric *Gillespiania Suite*.

Mr. Branker is conductor of University Jazz Ensembles and senior lecturer in music at Princeton University. He has been honored by the United States Department of Education with a Presidential Scholars Teacher Recognition Award, the Institute for Arts and Humanities Education Distinguished Teaching Award, and the International Association of Jazz Educators Award for Outstanding Service to Jazz Education.

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New "Nutcracker" Will Premiere At McCarter Theatre

The American Repertory Ballet (ARB) announces the premiere of a new production of *The Nutcracker* with choreography by ARB's Artistic Director, Graham Lustig, and sets and costumes by Emmy-award winner Zack Brown. Featured are 110 performers, over 70 of whom are children.

The production will run at McCarter Theatre Friday, Sunday and Sunday, November 24, 25 and 26 at 1 and 4:30 p.m.; Thursday, December 28 at 7 p.m.; Friday, December 29 at 1 and 7 p.m.; Saturday, December 30 at 1 and 4:30 p.m.; and Friday, December 31 at 1 p.m. Performances are also scheduled at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center in Newark, The State Theatre in New Brunswick, and The War Memorial in Trenton.

This season's *Nutcracker* is the product of a long collaboration between Graham Lustig and Zack Brown, in which they turned to the dawn of modernism in the early 20th-century for inspiration.

Part of this collaboration included researching *The Nutcracker*'s history and early 20th-century culture.

HIDE THE CHEESE: The Rat King, as costumed by Zack Brown, will perform in American Repertory Ballet's new production of "The Nutcracker," which will open at McCarter Theatre on Friday, November 24.

Mr. Lustig researched the original story by German author, E.T.A. Hoffmann, in which the original choreographers, Marius Petipa and Lev Ivanov, and composer, Pytor Illyich Tchaikovsky, based their production, which premiered in 1892 for the Russian court of Tsar Nicholas II.

Mr. Lustig said, "Most Nutcracker productions are set in the Victorian era, but I chose the Edwardian period for several reasons. This was a pivotal time of transition for society, with women enjoying more freedom, and acquiring equal voting rights. In addition, European art was blossoming and radical new concepts were flourishing."

Mr. Lustig created an adolescent protagonist, Marie, who is a slightly older version of the child Clara. This device allows the audience to understand why Marie might imagine herself falling in love for the first time with the Nutcracker, whom she later brings to life as a Prince.

Individual ticket prices range from $26 to $38. Call the McCarter box office for ticket information at 258-2787.

N.J. Gay Men's Chorus To Celebrate Season

The New Jersey Gay Men's Chorus, under the leadership of Richard M. Loatman and Kenneth P. Howard, will inaugurate its tenth anniversary season with its annual holiday concert, "Tidings of Comfort and Joy: A Holiday Fantasia."

The concert will take place Friday, Deember 1, at 8 p.m. at Nassau Presbyterian Church.

Tickets are $15; $12 for students and seniors. They may be purchased at the door or reserved by calling 396-7774. More information about the chorus and its upcoming concerts may be found at the website, www.njgmc.org.

Hopewell Valley Chorus Presents Holiday Concert

On December 1, at 8 p.m., the Hopewell Valley Chorus will present this year's annual Holiday Concert. Director Patrick Freer has selected the pairing of two contrasting, contemporary Magnificats.

The audience will first hear John Rutter's *Magnificat*, followed by the *Gospel Magnificat* by Robert Ray. In addition to solos by chorus members, soprano Deborah Ford will perform in the Ray piece.

The balance of the concert will build on the gospel sound, with choral settings of other spirituals including Jester Hairston's well-known *Amen* and an arrangement of *Mory Hod a Baby*, by William Dawson. As always, the chorus will end the concert with familiar carols in which audience participation will be welcome and encouraged.

The performance will take place at The Pennington Presbyterian Church, 1 South Main Street, Pennington. Tickets are $10 for adults, $5 for students. For information, call Kate O'Neill, 737-3177.

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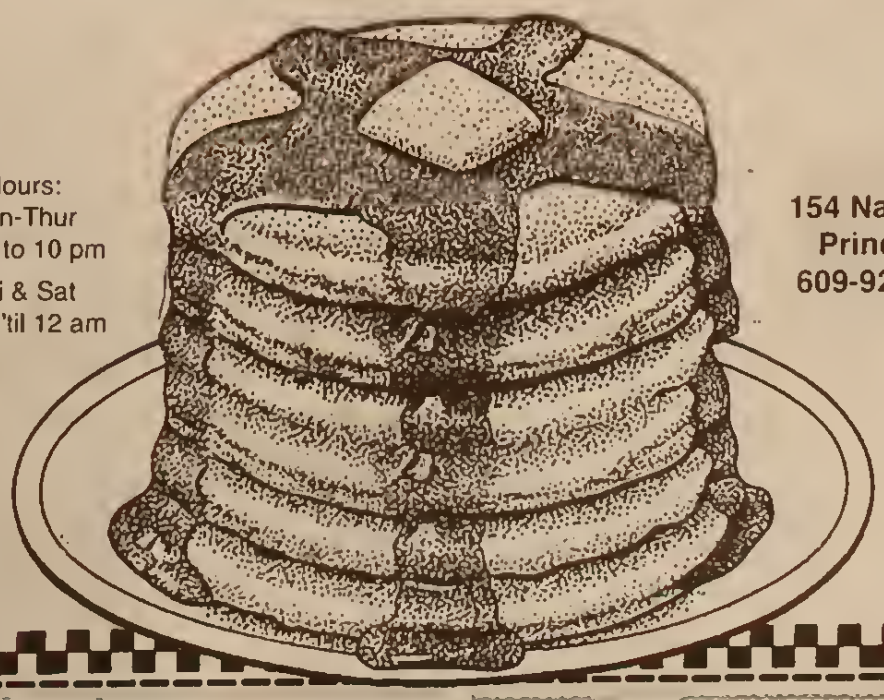

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Mark Laycock Named Assistant Conductor At the NJSO

The New Jersey Symphony Orchestra has announced the appointment of Mark Laycock as Assistant Conductor, effective immediately. Mr. Laycock has been Music Director of the Princeton Symphony Orchestra for 15 years and will continue this post during his tenure with the NJSO.

"I am extremely excited to begin a formal relationship with the NJSO," said Mr. Laycock. "I have enjoyed working with the NJSO in the past and I look forward to my future responsibilities. I am equally delighted to be given the chance to collaborate with Maestro Zdenek Macal, for whom I have the utmost respect and admiration."

"The NJSO is fortunate to have found a conductor with the talent and reputation of Mark Laycock to join our artistic leadership," said NJSO Executive Director Lawrence Tamburri. "He is a familiar face to many in New Jersey through his successes with the Princeton Symphony, and we look forward to building upon these successes. It's a natural choice for us."

Mr. Laycock, a resident of Princeton, will lead the NJSO in most of its education and pops programs beginning with the Sandy Duncan Pops performances on February 2 and 3. He will also lead the NJSO's annual Summer Parks Tour, which performs for an audience of more than 50,000 each year.

Mr. Laycock served as Music Director of Orchestra London Canada from 1995 to 1998. He made a highly successful debut with The Philadelphia Orchestra in 1979 as the second-youngest conductor ever to lead this ensemble.

His return in 1992 at the Mann Center for the Performing Arts garnered him re-engagements in 1993, 1994 and, at both the Academy of Music and the Mann Center, 1998. He also made a debut in April 1997 with L'Orchestra Symphonique de Montreal, leading to return engagements in both the 1997-98 and 1998-99 seasons.

He includes among his current season's activities leading the New Jersey Youth Orchestra Festival concert at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center, and a state-wide series of 14 children's concerts for the NJSO.

Mr. Laycock holds the distinction of being the first non-

Mark Laycock

Russian ever invited to appear at the Moscow Autumn Festival, conducting a 1988 program at Tchaikovsky Hall. In England, he has conducted the Philharmonia Orchestra at both the Royal Festival Hall and the Barbican Centre, while, here at home, he has also guest conducted the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra and the Saint Paul Chamber Orchestra, both in Minnesota and on tour.

In 1988, Mark Laycock was featured in an Emmy Award-winning television documentary, *Clossical Corovon*, chronicling the Princeton Symphony Orchestra's historic tour of the Middle East.

Of Native American heritage and Cherokee descent, Mr. Laycock received early inspiration while playing with the Saint Louis Symphony Youth Orchestra under the baton of Leonard Slatkin. He began conducting at the age of 16, advancing his studies at the St. Louis Conservatory of Music. From 1975 to 1979, he studied as a violist with the Curtis String Quartet in Philadelphia.

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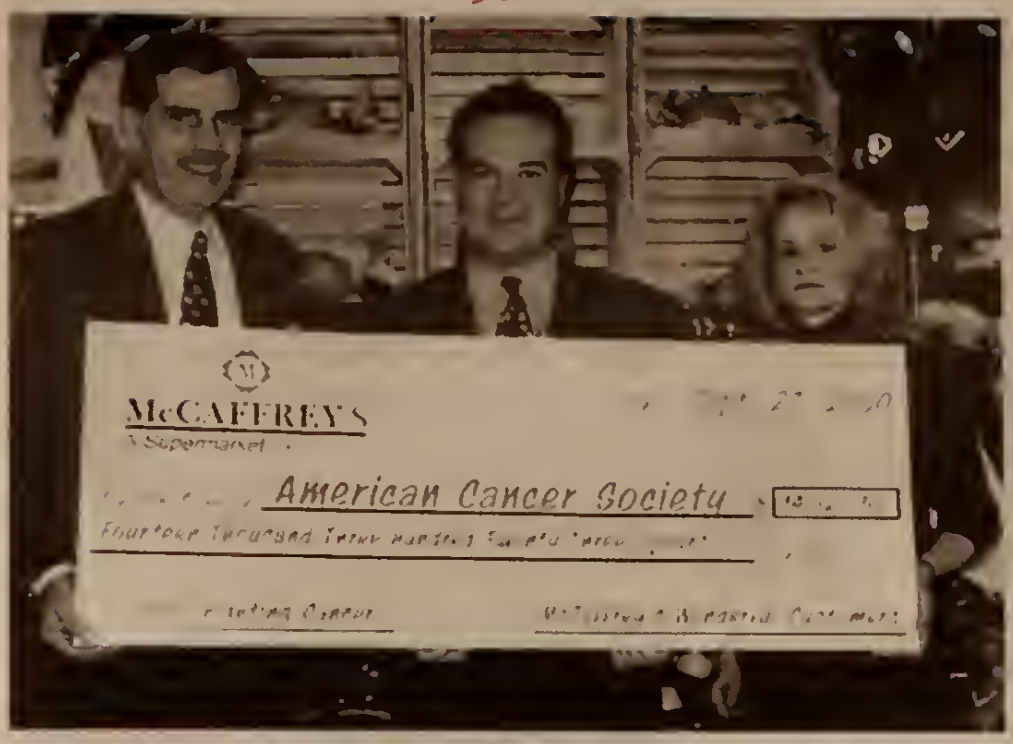

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Clubs & Organizations

Richard Smith Named New CEO Of Princeton YMCA

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Richard F. Smith has been appointed new chief executive officer of the Family YMCAs. He succeeds John Jorgensen who retired on September 1 and Cecilia York who served as acting president for three months and will remain as Chief Financial Officer.

Says Bill King, chairman of the board of the Family YMCAs, "The Board Selection Committee did a thorough and exhaustive search to make sure that we selected a dynamic new chief executive officer for the Princeton Family YMCA's future. I am excited that this has resulted in Richard Smith coming to Princeton."

Mr. Smith has a long and distinguished YMCA career, most recently serving as branch executive of the Northeast Family YMCA in Pennsylvania. In this position, he completed a capital campaign that raised $590,000, constructed a $1.4 million pool complex, and expanded board and branch membership.

Other YMCA positions include director of advancement with the Northwest Connecticut YMCA, in which he concentrated on fundraising, marketing, strategic planning, and staff development; branch executive of the Torrington YMCA in Connecticut in which he completed a $1 million facility renovation; and branch executive of the Northeast YMCA in Portland, Ore.

Mr. Smith said, "My entire YMCA career has been an exercise to prepare me for this current opportunity. I'm very pleased to have been selected and am looking forward to working with this YMCA ... to build strong kids, strong families, and a strong community."

Richard Smith holds a B.S. in commercial recreation from the University of Utah. Aside from his voluntary activities within the YMCA, he has served as a scoutmaster, Lions Club member, and Rotary Club member.

"Cocktails, Conversation, Commitment," an evening to honor life members of **Jewish Family and Children's Service of Greater Mercer County**, will take place on Saturday, December 2, at a private home in Princeton.

For more information, call Linda, at 987-8100.

A "Pre-Business Workshop" sponsored by the Small Business Development Center of Mercer County Community College, and co-sponsored by **The Greater Princeton Score Chapter #631** (Service Corps of Retired Executives), will be held on Thursday, November 30, from 8:30 to 4.

The morning session will feature a panel of small business owners who will share their experience and ideas on starting and operating a small business. The panelists' areas of expertise cover retail, real estate, restaurants, service, wholesale, and manufacturing.

In the afternoon session an attorney, accountant, and insurance broker will discuss issues of importance to small businesses.

The Workshop will be held in the Administration Building, Conference Room "A," at the West Windsor Campus of Mercer County Community College. The cost for this program, including a continental breakfast and lunch, is $49. To register call 586-4800 extension 3469.

1946: The bikini is banned in Biarritz, Bing Crosby sings "Blue Skies," and TOWN TOPICS begins publication.

Fifties-Plus Singles To Meet at YMCA

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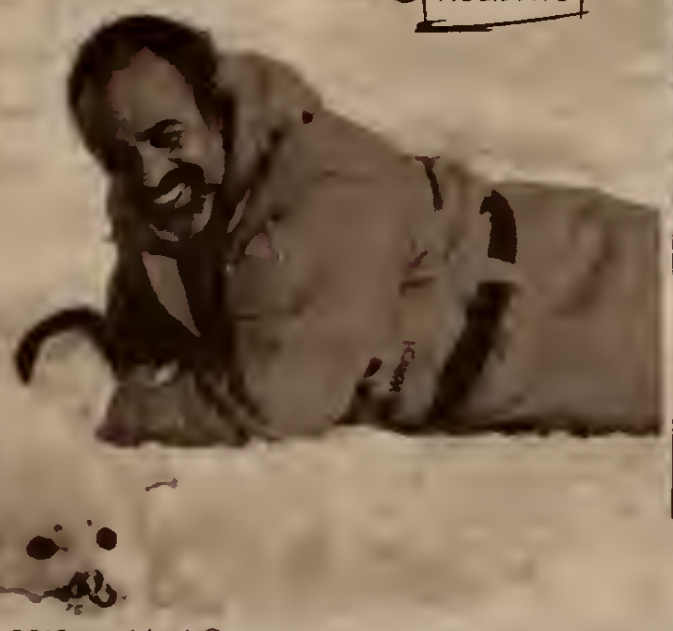

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Hopper-Skinner. Allison F. Hopper, daughter of Wendy and Arthur Hopper, Pennington, to Thomas R. Skinner, son of Teri and Thomas Skinner, San Rafael, Calif.

Ms. Hopper attended Stuart Country Day School and graduated from Pomfret School, Pomfret, Conn., and Hobart-William Smith College, Geneva, N.Y. She is vice president, sales and marketing, for Guinness Telli Phone Corporation, Mill Valley, Calif.

Mr. Skinner is a graduate of Chico State University, Chico, Calif. He is a district manager, western region, for Stimson Lane Vineyards & Estates, Woodinville, Wash.

A June wedding is planned in Napa Valley, Calif.

Newman-Bradshaw. Pierrette Alyssa Newman, daughter of Lucyanne S. Newman, Rolling Hill Road, Skillman, and Harry J. Newman, Point Pleasant, to Roderic Bradshaw, son of Ona J. Bradshaw, Oxon Hill, Md., and the late Howard V. Bradshaw.

Ms. Newman, a graduate of Stuart Country Day School, received her bachelor's degree from Connecticut College, New London, Conn., and her juris doctorate from Dickinson School of Law, Pennsylvania State University, Carlisle, Pa. She is the general counsel and a founding member of Peachtree Franchise Finance LLC, in Atlanta, Ga.

Mr. Bradshaw received his bachelor's degree from the University of Maryland. He holds a master's degree in business and human resources management, with high honors, from Pepperdine University, Malibu, Calif. He is the chief executive officer of Bradshaw & Associates, Atlanta, Ga.

The couple plans a wedding in December.

Pierrette Newman and Roderic Bradshow

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Weddings

Niolon-Kachur. Rachel Elizabeth Kachur, daughter of Donald C. and Sharon Cox, Ridgeview Road, and the late James Metro Kachur, to Simeon Manning Niolon, son of Joseph and Susan Niolon, Alpharetta, Ga.; on May 20, on the island of St. John, U.S. Virgin Islands, the Rev. Bob Davis officiating.

The bride is a 1990 graduate of Princeton High School. She received a B.A. degree in biology from Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pa., in 1994. She is a second year master's degree candidate at the Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University, Atlanta, Ga.

Mr. Niolon attended the University of Georgia, Athens, Ga. He is vice president of Niolon Lumber Sales, Alpharetta, Ga.

The couple lives in Atlanta.

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Villegas-Shaffer. Emily Grace Shaffer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn D. Shaffer, Raymond Road, to Rolando Ramón Villegas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rolando Villegas, Hollywood, Fla.; on March 11, at Princeton University Chapel, the Rev. Sue Anne Steffey Morrow officiating.

The bride is a graduate of Princeton High School, and a mogno cum *loude* graduate of the University of Pennsylvania. She teaches Japanese at Kent School, Kent, Conn.

Mr. Villegas received a B.A. degree from LaSalle University, Philadelphia, Pa., and an M.A. degree from Middlebury College, Middlebury, Vt. He teaches Spanish at the Kent School.

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SPORTS

It Was Flag-Football in Princeton Stadium Saturday, And When It Was Over Dartmouth Had Beaten Tigers

Seemingly following the ritual of every pickup football contest in America, Saturday at Princeton Stadium a group of men who already knew each other chose up sides and played what resembled flag-football.

In a game that featured eleven touchdowns, little productive defense and numerous trick plays Dartmouth defeated Princeton, 42-37, before 18,667 wide-eyed fans.

"I'm disappointed with the loss, but I'm very proud of our players effort," Hughes said. "It was a situation where our kids never gave up. I would have liked to have gotten this win for our seniors who have shown tremendous leadership, tremendous work ethic, and great character all year."

Dartmouth actually trailed at four different times during the wide-open affair, only to be saved by the strong arm of quarterback Greg Smith. The Big Green passer finished the game with 20 completions on 27 attempts for 308 yards passing, four touchdowns and two interceptions. Though his arm kept putting the visitors from New Hampshire on the board, the deciding play of the final Ivy matchup of the season was determined by Smith's feet.

With the ball on Dartmouth's 33-yard line, on a third down and with seven yards to go, and less than two minutes on the clock, Princeton's last chance rested on forcing the Big Green offense to punt, something the Orange and Black accomplished only once on the day. Smith took the snap, faked a hand-off to his running back, and rambled towards the Tiger sideline on a bootleg. Sensing an opening, he took off downfield, and lunged past the first down marker.

No Miracle Finish This Time

With that, a Princeton football season full of dramatic comebacks and miracle finishes came to a crashing halt. When Dartmouth knelt down on the ball for the final time, head coach Roger Hughes' first season came to a close with a 42-37 loss. The game marked the first Ivy win of the season for the Big Green.

"It's been a tough year for us," Dartmouth head coach John Lyons said. "We needed to make plays at the right time, and our guys did that today."

The final contest was typical of the Ivy season in general – high scoring, and extremely competitive. While both teams had opportunities, neither could strike that crushing blow to ensure victory.

"We finally came together as an offense, and scored touchdowns," Smith said.

Smith did not start the games auspiciously, however, as he forced his second pass of the game into double coverage. Princeton's sophomore strong safety Kevin Kongslie made a terrific break on the ball and intercepted the offering.

Kongisie's play led to junior kicker Taylor Northrop's 42-yard field goal, which put the Tigers on the board first, 3-0. This also marked the last time in the game that neither team scored a touchdown on back-to-back possessions.

Blevins Counters Smith

While Smith and Dartmouth wide receiver Matt DeLellis – who finished with two touchdowns and 164 yards receiving – were tearing up the Princeton secondary, Tiger quarterback Jon Blevins countered them blow for blow.

Blevins, a senior, responded to Dartmouth's first score by hitting sophomore wideout Chisom Opara with a 41-yard touchdown late in the first quarter. On the play, Blevins lofted the ball down the left hashmark and Opara leapt high above the Big Green defenders, plucked the ball out of the air, and landed in the endzone. Blevins finished the day with 288 yards passing and no interceptions, while Opara was clearly his favorite target, hauling in 10 receptions for 134 yards.

Senior fullback Marty Cheatham, playing in his last game as a Tiger, once again played a vital role in the Princeton offense. Several times in the course of the afternoon, Cheatham kept the offense rolling with key third down receptions.

Despite the strong play from the offense, Princeton's inability to keep the Big Green out of the end zone proved to be its undoing. Discounting the final possessions of each half, Dartmouth scored on all but three of its drives, and finished the day with 477 yards of total offense.

One play that greatly wounded the Tigers chances for victory was the flea-flicker – a play that Dartmouth ran multiple times against Yale a few weeks ago. Twice on the afternoon, Smith gave the ball to tailback Mike Gratch, who ran towards the line of scrimmage simulating a running play only to flip the ball back to Smith. Princeton free safety Taylor Smith fell for the run fake both times and approached the line of scrimmage leaving an open area downfield.

Flea Flicker One More Time

Early in the second quarter, Smith hit DeLellis for a 36-yard gain that setup Dartmouth's second score. The coup-de-grace, however, came in the fourth quarter when it appeared the Big Green would be content to try to pound Gratch – who ran for 97 yards on the day – up the middle to use up the clock. Instead, the coaching staff called for the flea-flicker one more time, and with all of Princeton's defenders expecting a run, Dartmouth wide receiver Jay Barnard was wide open for the game winning score.

Throughout the game, Smith had ample time to throw as Dartmouth's offensive line held the Princeton pass rush at bay. Furthermore, despite lacking a marquee runner in

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2000 IVY LEAGUE STANDINGS

Last Week's Scores

Dartmouth 42-P'ton 37
Brown 45-Columbia 27
Penn 45-Cornell 15
Yale 34-Harvard 24

	Ivy			Overall		
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Penn	6	1	.8S3	7	3	.700
Cornell	S	2	.714	5	5	.500
Yale	4	3	.S71	7	3	.700
Harvard	4	3	.571	5	5	.500
Princeton	**3**	**4**	**.429**	**3**	**7**	**.300**
Columbia	1	6	.143	3	7	.300
Dartmouth	1	6	.143	2	8	.200
Brown*	4	3	.S71	7	3	.700

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BETTER WITH PUNTS THAN PASSES: Sophomore defensive back Paul Simbi blocked this Dartmouth punt in the second quarter that led to a Princeton touchdown and a 24-21 halftime lead. *(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)*

Tiger Football

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the backfield, the Big Green generated 169 yards on the ground. Without question, the Dartmouth front line manhandled Princeton's defensive linemen.

"Our [offensive] line is the strength of out team," Lyons said. "Today they did a real good job, not only in terms of pass protection but run blocking as well."

One area that Princeton did seem to have an advantage was special teams. In addition to his field goal in the first half, Northrop averaged 41.3 yards on his three punts. However, the biggest special teams play of the day occurred on Dartmouth's only scrimmage kick.

Punting from his own territory late in the second quarter, Alex Ware had his punt blocked by Tiger defensive back Paul Simbi. On the play, Simbi delayed his rush long enough to allow the center and the personal protector to become occupied with other Tigers, and then proceeded unimpeded to the punter. The block led to a Chisom Opara touchdown run which gave Princeton a 24-21 halftime lead.

Though it ended with a disheartening climax, Hughes' first season produced several pronounced improvements. Princeton tripled its Ivy win total from last year, and installed a potent offense capable of scoring previously unthinkable amounts of points. In addition, with Opara, and two quality quarterbacks – junior Tommy Crenshaw and freshman David Splithoff – returning next year, the offense appears to be in good hands. On the other side of the ball, linebacker Chris Roser-Jones, who had six interceptions on the season, and defensive back Blake Perry will try to improve where this year's team faltered in its final game.

While Hughes and his staff deserve credit for the turnaround, none of it would have been possible without the efforts of a graduating class of seniors, who have endured a season entirely on the road and a coaching change in their collegiate careers.

"While I'm very saddened by losing them," Hughes said, "I'm also excited about the future in that these seniors have given us a great foundation to build on."

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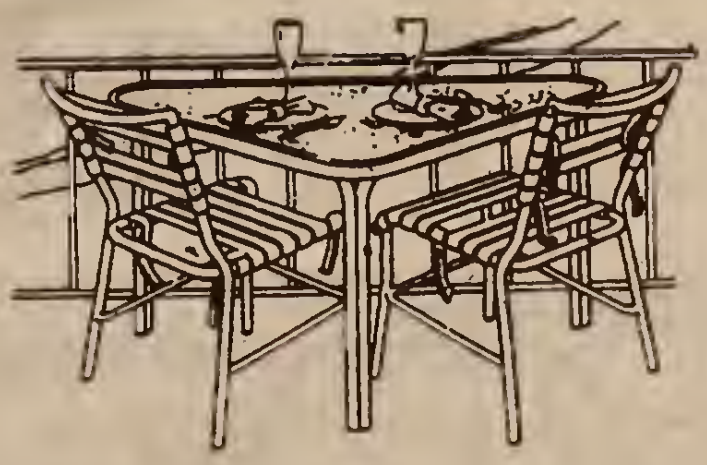

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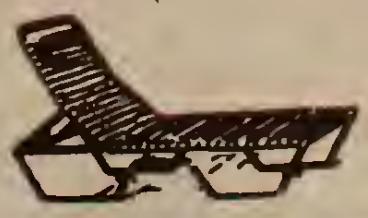

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Tiger Football Tries to Look for Silver Lining After Tough Loss to Dartmouth in Final Game

It will be a long, long off-season for Princeton football coach Roger Hughes, much longer than it would have been had his Tigers discovered a way to stop the Dartmouth offense last Saturday afternoon. The Orange and Black scored 37 points and still lost, and that hasn't happened since a 47-37 defeat by Lafayette 18 years ago.

No one in Princeton stadium wanted a win against the Big Green more than Hughes, but in defeat, his defense proved again one more time it was hugely over matched against a good quarterback. Greg Smith wasn't a starter in Hanover when the season began, but he has come on strong the last couple of games, and in this one he methodically shredded the Orange and Black with one pass over the middle after another. The Big Green had a commanding edge in time of possession, more than 36 minutes worth.

56-Season Streak for Big Green

Smith finished with 20 completions in 27 attempts for 308 yards and four touchdowns. For Dartmouth the victory was only the second in 10 tries this season, but it meant much more, allowing the Big Green to continue a streak that now reaches 56 seasons that it has won at least one Ivy League contest.

For Old Nassau there can only be thoughts of what might have been. A 4-6 record, a step up from last fall's 3-7, and more importantly a 4-3 first division finish in the league. The loss wasn't as devastating as last year's debacle in Hanover, but it leaves less to build on for next season, and takes something away from the win over Yale.

The final game is so important Hughes had said last week; a victory sends the players into the off-season and the weight room in a much more positive frame of mind. He won't have that plus now, but Hughes was optimistic about the future.

"Certainly, 4-3 is much better in the league, than 3-4, "Hughes said after the game. "You have a springboard, you have a nice taste in your mouth, it carries over. But we try to find a silver lining in anything. I thought we played well. Obviously, there's effort in there. We have to get much stronger, we have to get much quicker. Hopefully, we can use this as a motivating factor, so this doesn't happen again."

Focus Now on Recruiting

For Hughes and his staff the focus will be on recruiting to bring in the talent necessary to keep the program on the right track to recovery. More talent is needed here to keep the Tigers competitive with other members of the Ancient Eight. This is a young team, that gave a lot of playing time to freshmen and sophomores, and that will pay dividends next fall. The secondary has got to have gained some understanding of what it takes to knock down a pass. And just maybe after being victimized, not once, but twice in one game, on the trick "flea flicker" play, they'll see that coming next time.

What Might Have Been

While the defense never really came together this season, one cannot help but wonder what might have been without all the quarterback injuries. Hughes and offensive coordinator Dave Rackovan deserve full credit for the juggling act with Tommy Crenshaw, Jon Blevins, Dave Splithoff and Brian Danielewicz that kept the Tigers competitive every week. Had Crenshaw been healthy for a full season or Splithoff not suffered a broken jaw against Harvard, the Tigers might well have turned a couple of those close defeats into victories.

Crenshaw, Danielewicz and Splithoff will return next year, Crenshaw reportedly with two years of eligibility still left, and Splithoff will be just a sophomore. That should give the offense a good head start, plus all three won't be learning Hughes' system for the first time.

Around the league, Penn, not surprisingly dominated Cornell in capturing its 10th Ivy title. Gavin Hoffman added to his Penn records with another big day passing, throwing for 330 yards, and to complement his performance junior tailback Kris Ryan ran for 243. With no running attack to help him and not much defense, Big Red quarterback Ricky Rahne had to throw the ball 60 times, but completed less than half and three were intercepted.

Yale rebounded from last week's tough loss to Princeton and tallied 17 fourth quarter points to knock off Harvard. Rashad Bartholomew ended his career with 119 yards in 29 carries and Peter Lee completed 25 of 37 for 219 yards. Neil Rose, who rewrote Harvard's passing records, was 28 of 52 for 310 yards. The two teams finished tied for third in the league.

Brown outscored Columbia as quarterback Eric Webber completed 35 of 45 passes for 315 yards. Thirteen were caught by Stephen Campbell, the league's leading receiver, for 137 yards. Columbia's Jeff McCall also threw for more than 330 yards, and Jonanthan Reese ran for 106 yards.

It was a season marked by incredible offensive output by almost every team in the league week after week. If anyone of the eight can learn to play defense next year, it could go undefeated in league play.

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Yale Is Next

Princeton Hockey Gains Weekend Split, Losing to Vermont, Beating Dartmouth

5-POINT WEEKEND: Kirk Lamb had one goal and four assists last weekend, and now has nine points this season, tying him with Chris Corrinet for the team lead.

Sometimes things go pretty much as expected for the Princeton hockey team, and last weekend was a good example.

The Tigers couldn't quite knock off a good Vermont team, currently in first place in the ECAC standings, in Burlington Friday night, losing 3-2, but rebounded the following evening to overwhelm a weak Dartmouth sextet, 6-0. Coming home with two points from the trip, just what one would have expected, the Orange and Black is smack in the middle of the ECAC standings, tied with Yale for fifth place.

The Elis managed the same split in reverse order, pulling out a 5-4 triumph over Dartmouth on Friday, and losing to Vermont, 5-2, 24 hours later. And this week the Orange and Black and the Blue and White were set to square off against each other. The Elis, who are 2-2 in ECAC competition, and 4-2 overall with 4-3 triumphs over Hockey East opponents New Hampshire and Boston College.

Princeton and Yale were set for their first meeting this past Tuesday in Baker Rink (too late to be included in this article), with the rematch planned for this Saturday evening in New Haven. Last year the Tigers beat the Bulldogs in New Haven, 2-1, and tied them in Baker, 5-5.

The following weekend, Friday and Saturday, December 1 and 2, the Tigers will be on the road again against Colgate and Cornell. The next action in Baker Rink will come the weekend of December 8 and 9, when Old Nassau will face Union and RPI.

Late Goal Lifts Catamounts

As time began to wind down in Vermont's Gutterson Fieldhouse, the Tigers looked like they might come away with one point for their evening's work. But junior Graham Mink tallied his second goal of the contest, redirecting a shot from the point with just 2:32 remaining to provide the 3-2 margin of victory.

The Tigers had taken a 1-0 lead in the first period, courtesy of a five-on-three advantage handed them by the home team late in the first period. Chris Corrinet put the puck in the net from close range with five minutes left, assisted by Brad Parsons and Kirk Lamb.

Junior goalie Dave Stathos made that lead stand up for the rest of the period despite 15 shots on net by Vermont, making at least three superb saves in the process. He continued his stellar play through much of the middle stanza as well, but was finally beaten by Mink, who launched a slapshot just after crossing the blue line.

With Lamb off for a tripping penalty early in the third, the Catamounts made good on the power play opportunity to grab a 2-1 lead 1:49 into the final frame. Lamb atoned for his misdeed three minutes later, scoring from the left circle to create the 2-2 deadlock. Parsons picked up his second assist, and Neil McCann was given one also.

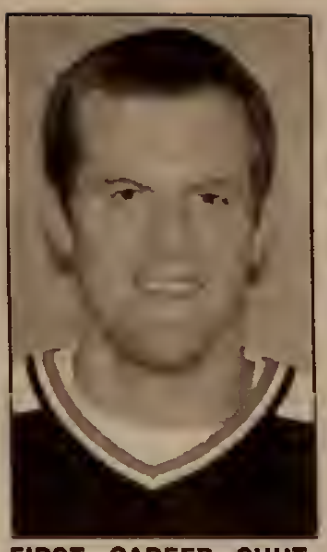
Stathos was pulled with 1:26 remaining, but to no avail. He made 31 saves during his time in the net; Vermont's Andrew Allen stopped 29 shots. The Tigers continued to make the most of power play chances, scoring on two of five. Vermont was one of six.

Over Early in Hanover

Knowing they did not want to come home empty-handed, the Tigers didn't waste much time grabbing control of Saturday night's contest in Hanover, scoring three times in a span of less than three minutes. Lamb and junior defenseman David Bennett did yeoman work, setting up one goal after another.

Freshman defenseman Steve Slaton scored the only goal Princeton would need at the 16:50 mark, followed in rapid succession by Parsons and Corrinet. Dartmouth goalie Darren Gastrock had a night to forget — he saw just six shots all period, but could stop just three while Nate Nomeland, en route to the first shutout of his career, handled all 12 that came his way.

The second period saw 17 shots by the Big Green, and again Nomeland was equal to the challenge. Nick Boucher, who replaced Gastrock, faced eight, and couldn't handle one by Ethan Doyle, who scored unassisted 6:45 into the period.



FIRST CAREER SHUTOUT: Sophomore goalie Nate Nomeland stopped 40 Dartmouth shots to record his first career shutout at Princeton.

The disparity in shots continued to rise in the final period and so did the score. Dartmouth got off 11 for a total of 40. Princeton took just six, and two got by Boucher, who proved to be as much as a sieve as Gastrock.

David Del Monte made it 5-0 a little over seven minutes into the period, and Corrinet finished off the scoring with about five minutes left. Freshman defenseman Matthew Maglione assisted on both tallies for his first two points of the season.

It added up to a 6-0 Princeton victory, one of the most decisive in a while. All this despite the fact that those who saw the contest thought the Orange and Black was guilty of sloppy play for most of the evening.

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PHS Senior Day Tainted by 35-7 Loss to Ewing; Tigers Finish Season With 1-9 Overall Record

LOOKING FOR AN OPENING: Princeton High's Chris Foreman looks for a hole in the Ewing defense while returning a punt on November 18.

(Photo by Charles Plohn)

It was senior day at Princeton High on November 18, a chance to say goodbye to those football players and cheerleaders who have sacrificed so much time for the athletic program. All were honored during halftime of Saturday's home football game against Ewing High. Unfortunately the Blue Devils weren't feeling very sentimental, nor were they feeling generous. Their 35-7 rout of the Tigers proved it.

The loss dropped Princeton's overall record to 1-9, and the team finished with a 1-5 record in the Colonial Valley Conference. Some players, like senior lineman Jeffrey Montour, attributed the team's struggles to lack of strength and conditioning.

"I just hope the younger guys learn something from this," he commented. "We were getting physically dominated in every game.

"We've been saying this from day one. [Head] Coach [Ray] Strelecki can't force the players into the weight room. If they want to win they've got to get in there, and I just hope this shows them.

Senior running back Clyde Gaspard agreed.

"I just think that every player should get into the weight room during the off season," he said. Every player should get in the weight room, and give 100 percent to the game."

Princeton never mustered a sustained scoring drive in the game. It was Ewing's passing combination of quarterback Thomas Carroll and 6'2 receiver Mike Nance that did most of the damage. Nance tallied 102 yards receiving, while Carroll racked up 226 yards through the air. Their first touchdown connection came with just four minutes gone in the game. That's when Carroll peered over the defensive line and found Nance for an 18-yard scoring play. Carroll also added the extra point afterwards to give Ewing a quick 7-0 lead.

Caprariello Injured

Princeton quarterback Andrew Caprariello tried to rally his team. He found a diving Tony Cipriano for a seven-yard gain on the Tigers' first play from scrimmage. Running back Clyde Gaspard then followed with an 11-yard run up the pike. The Blue and White had put together a nice drive against the stingy Ewing defense, but the tides turned on the next play.

Caprariello scrambled in the pocket, desperately looking for a receiver. When he saw no one, he took the ball and ran. Unfortunately he landed awkwardly on his ankle as he was being tackled. He tried to make it off the field under his own power, but made it only half way.

As trainer Carlos Salazar examined Caprariello, he pounded his fist on the grass. He knew it was an early end to a tough season. Teammates carried him off the field.

"He [Caprariello] took a beating all year, and in this game he fell on his ankle wrong and twisted it," said coach Strelecki. "It's a shame he couldn't get that last game in.

"He couldn't play last year because he was injured, so he lost a year of experience playing quarterback. Sometimes this season he was running for his life out there. With that said, (overall) he played well."

The injury seemed to rock Princeton back

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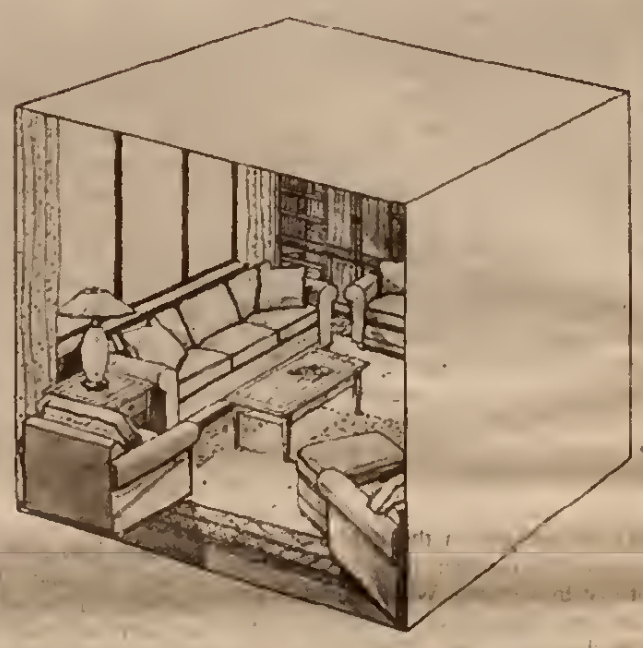

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HOW ABOUT A FACEMASK? Princeton High's Bill Freeman gets a stiff arm from Ewing receiver Mike Nance during football action November 14. Was this a facemask? Looks awfully close. *(Photo by Charles Phox)*

PHS Football

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on its heels a bit. Senior David Phanthavong replaced Caprariello, but the drive which looked so promising, disappeared like the evening sun. The Tigers were forced to punt.

Ewing moved in for the kill like dogs on a steak during its next series of downs. Carroll started the scoring drive with an eight-yard pass to senior running back Danny Johnson. He then followed with a long run to the Princeton 48-yard line. Sophomore running back Matt Brecko added runs of 13, 10, and four yards. On the next play, Carroll drilled a pass into tight coverage. Princeton defensive back Bill Freeman tipped the ball, Nance snagged it out of the air, and trotted into the end zone for a touchdown. Carroll nailed the extra point, and Ewing's lead was 14-0.

Phanthavong almost joined Caprariello on the sidelines during his team's next possession. He completed a six-yard pass to Michael Chester, and then Gaspard bulled up the middle for a five-yard gain to the 41-yard line.

The Ewing defense nearly ripped Phanthavong's helmet off on the next play. He was looking for a receiver, tried to scramble, and got lost in a crowd. What he didn't see were two huge Blue Devils' defenders coming from the back side. Phanthavong was clotheslined and flung eight yards backwards. The ball popped loose, and Ewing recovered the fumble. After checking to see which area code he was in, Phanthavong sauntered to the sidelines.

The Blue Devils took advantage of the turnover ten plays later when Carroll squirted into the end zone from seven yards out. He tacked on the extra point, and the lead was 21-0, the halftime score.

The Second Half

The Ewing offensive train continued to barrel down the tracks in the second half. When running back Howard Taylor slipped behind the defense with 7:22 left in the third quarter, Carroll caught the Tigers' defensive mistake and drilled the ball between the numbers on Taylor's jersey for another score. Carroll rubbed the blisters on his kicking foot, and nailed the extra point for a 28-0 lead.

Princeton finally scored on its next possession, and spoiled Ewing's quest for a shutout. Phanthavong floated a beautiful 64-yard touchdown pass to a wide-open Freeman. He got behind the Ewing defender, and from there it was no contest. Tyler Wood booted the extra point, and the lead was cut to 28-7.

Not to be outdone, Ewing added another score with 9:23 left in the game. Matt Brecko got into the scoring column with a five-yard touchdown run. He finished with 95 rushing yards on the afternoon. Carroll booted the extra point, and the lead was 35-7, the final margin of victory.

A Tearful Goodbye

Although the Tigers finished with one more win than last season, it was hard for the seniors, like lineman Will Tisdale, to say goodbye.

"I'll concentrate on lacrosse in college. This is my last time I'll ever suit up in football," he said, choking back tears. "You learn a lot. Whether you win or lose, you still get a lot out of it."

"It was a tough, frustrating season," said senior wide receiver Tony Cipriano. "Everyone came out here and gave it their all. We're limited in numbers. These guys have a lot of guts to come out here.

Cipriano told TOWN TOPICS that it was determination and inner pride which kept him motivated during the season.

'We didn't do a lot of executing this year, but each loss gives you more determination to win," he said. "We only came away with one win, but hopefully our senior determination will carry over to the younger players, so they can do well in the future."

Long Way to Go

I think we improved over last year, but we still have a long way to go," said Strelecki. "We have to get the guys stronger, physically, and that's the weight room. During the off season that's going to be big for us.

"The potential is there, but we still have a long way to go. We played hard all year, and our guys gave it a good effort. We were just outmanned. We need to start turning the corner, chip away, and get better so we can beat some of these teams.

"We had some bright spots. There are some good players in the program, but we need more. It's the same old story, it's the physcial strength of every team we play. We need to get in the weight room, because it's a big thing for us.

"We got better this season. I'm not sure we played as well as we could have in every game. We still had too many mistakes, but the guys stuck with it. The seniors were good, but we need to develop the new guys. We need to get them stronger."

—Steve Allen

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Princeton Men Lose 87-50 to Duke; Tigers Show Promise

Despite the injuries and defections, the show must go on for the Princeton University men's basketball team under the guidance of first year head coach John Thompson III.

Unfortunately the Tigers' opening act on November 14 was against one of the top teams in the nation, Duke, and its crowd of Cameron Crazies. The Blue Devils spoiled Thompson's debut with an 87-50 victory in opening round action of the preseason NIT.

For ten minutes Duke looked rusty, and Princeton continuously took advantage of the Blue Devils' tendency to overplay the passing lanes. Nate Walton, hobbling on a badly spralned ankle, whipped two beautiful passes to backup guard Kyle Wente and one to C.J. Chapman as the Tigers turned a 5-0 deficit into a 6-5 lead. Starting point guard Ed Persia was benched early with two fouls.

Duke's Shane Battier launched two of his school record nine three pointers, and the Crazies went wild as their team outscored Princeton 13-0 in a two minute span for an 18-6 lead. Princeton then turned to its perimeter game.

Forward Mike Bechtold, who finished with 12 points, sank a three-pointer. Chapman followed with a three, forward Eugene Baah nailed another and Bechtold completed the three point barrage, quieting the crazies and sending a message to Duke.

Walton Burns Defense

After a television timeout, Walton threw a pass the length of the court to Bechtold a la Grant Hill to Christian Laettner in Duke's 1992 East Regional Championship thriller against Kentucky. Bechtold streaked down the court for an easy layup, and Princeton had cut the Devils' lead to 22-20. It wasn't the regional finals, but it was still a well designed play which caught the nation's number two team napping.

LEADING SCORER: Mike Bechtold tallied 12 points and was the leading scorer for the Princeton University men's basketball team on November 14. The Tigers lost 87-50 to the Duke Blue Devils in preseason NIT action.

The Devils' defensive blunder was unacceptable to coach Mike Krzyzewski, and when he called a timeout, the players in the Duke huddle heard about it. Thompson, his coaching staff and the Tigers' players felt good about outrunning the nations' number two team.

Embarassed by their lack of intensity, Duke came out of the huddle firing on all cylinders. Guard Jason Williams started a furious offensive explosion with a three-pointer, giving Duke a 25-20 lead. Mike Dunleavy had two thunderous dunks that had the Crazies bouncing to the rafters, one thing led to another, and when Battier sank another three from deep in the left corner to end the half, Princeton trailed 49-25. The Tigers' 14 turnovers in the half didn't help.

The Dukies opened the second half with five three-pointers, three by Battier, and Princeton had no answer. The Orange and Black continued to turn the ball over to Duke, and Battier continued to swish three pointers, none of them touching the rim. He finished with 29 points.

Bright Spots

There were some bright spots for the Princeton program, although they were overshadowed by Duke's performance. Persia and 6'7 forward Andre Logan showed their potential from the outside, as both nailed three pointers in the second half.

Walton's passing game was impressive, as he whipped the ball by Duke defenders several times for easy scores. Bechtold looked good from the outside, and Chapman showed good range as he tallied 10 points. Not a bad game for a team decimated with injuries.

Next up for the Tigers is a road game against Monmouth on November 25. They will play in the First Merchants Classic at Ball State beginning December 1. The first home game for Princeton will be December 9, when they battle the Musketeers from Xavier.

—Steve Allen

Tiger Men Collect All-Ivy Soccer Honors

Princeton University's midfielder Matt Behneke was selected to the All Ivy League first soccer team, it was announced recently. He scored 15 points this season.

Teammates Mike Nugent, Graeme Rein and Bob Nye were named to the second team. Nugent missed seven games with an ankle injury, but tallied seven goals beforehand. Rein and Nye were defensive stalwarts.

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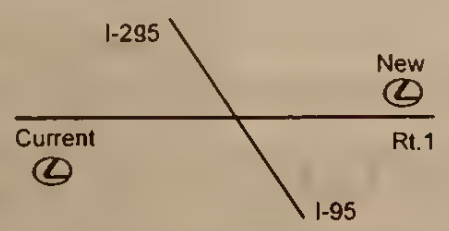

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Making its debut a year ago, the Instinet Classic held at the Jasna Polana golf course in the Township found itself playing the same dates in July as the British Open, and consequently lost some of the better senior players to that more prestigious event.

When the tournament had ended, and director Mary Ann Saleski discussed the possibility of a new date for 2001 she commented, "The PGA Tour is working on finalizing the schedule. It looks like it will be in June. Let someone else compete with the British Open next year, I've had my turn."

Yes, someone else will be competing with the Brits next year, but the news is even worse for Ms. Saleski. The new date for the Instinet Classic is June 11-17, 2001, the exact time frame for the U.S. Open to be played at the Southern Hills Country Club in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Out of the frying pan and into the fire, as they say.

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Matson Named Ivy League Player of the Year

Princeton University's field hockey player Hilary Matson was recently named Ivy League Player of the Year, and was named to the All-Ivy League first team. Senior Melanie Meerschwam, and sophomores Emily Townsend and Kelly Baril were also first team selections.

Freshman Claire Miller, the Ivy League's Rookie of the Year, was named to the second team along with senior Kellie Maul and sophomore Ilvy Friebe. Cory Picketts was an honorable mention selection.

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Five Tiger Women Are Named All-Ivy

Princeton University women's soccer players Heather Deerin and Jenny Lankford were recently named to the All-Ivy League first team.

Seniors Julie Shaner and Jordan Rettig, and junior Kelly Sosa, were named to the second team.

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OBITUARIES

Robert C. Axtmann, 75, Professor Emeritus of Princeton University, died Thursday, November 16. Born in Youngstown, Ohio, he was a resident of Princeton and Burnt Hill Road, Skillman since 1959.

Dr. Axtmann's education at Oberlin College was interrupted by World War II, during which he served in the U.S. Navy as an Electronics Technician Mate and also as editor of the "NRB News" of the San Diego Naval Yard. He completed his BA at Oberlin in 1947 and obtained a Ph.D. in Physical Chemistry from Johns Hopkins University in 1950.

Dr. Axtmann worked at the Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland, before joining duPont as a research supervisor in South Carolina. In 1959, he joined the Department of Chemical Engineering at Princeton as an Associate Professor. He rose to Full Professor in 1965. Dr. Axtmann conducted research on nuclear fission technology, nuclear reactor physics, radiation chemistry, the Moss-Bauer Effect, nuclear magnetic resonance, geothermal energy, the environmental effects of geothermal power and the desilification of geothermal fluids.

While at Princeton, Dr. Axtmann also served as chairman of the Program for Nuclear Studies in Engineering and as Chairman of the Council for Environmental Studies. He was a visiting fellow to the Israel Atomic Energy Commission and the

Robert C. Axtmann

National Commission of Nuclear Energy in Mexico, and a visiting scientist to the Department of Science and Industrial Research in New Zealand and the Institute of Electrical Investigations in Mexico. Dr. Axtmann was also the lifetime president of the Indian John Point, Ontario Yacht Club.

Dr. Axtmann published many research articles in professional journals, was a contributing editor to *Rescuing Mon's Environment · Nine Essays on Environmentol Reform* (1972) and published numerous articles of thought and satire over the years.

He is survived by his wife of 51 years, Annabell, a daughter, Connelle Mueller of Rumson; two granddaughters; a son, Terry, of Houston, Texas, a daughter, Ellen Axtmann of Laramie, Wyoming, and a brother, Chuck, of Youngstown, Ohio.

Cremation will be at Ewing Crematory and private arrangements are being handled by the Kimble Funeral Home. A private family service will be held at a later time. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Oberlin College Scholarship Fund, Oberlin, Ohio.

Regina Miller, 69, of West Windsor, died November 17 at Forrestal Skilled Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Plainsboro.

Born in Pittsburgh, Pa., she lived in Bricktown before moving to Princeton Junction two years ago.

She retired as co-owner of Carvel Ice Cream in Bradley Beach.

She was a former member of St. Dominic's Church, Brick.

Wife of the late Donald C. Miller, she is survived by by a daughter, Carol A. Tanner of West Windsor; two sons, Thomas C. of Williamstown and Robert D. of Bricktown; a sister, Helen Karpinski of Pittsburgh; a brother, Daniel Pawlak of Pittsburgh; and eight grandchildren.

Funeral was held Monday from the A.S. Cole Funeral Home, Cranbury. Funeral Mass was celebrated at St. Anthony of Padua Roman Catholic Church, Hightstown. Burial was in Princeton Cemetery.

Betty Jane Pover, 65, of East Windsor, died November 18 at Robert Wood Johnson Hospital at Hamilton.

Born in Princeton, she lived in East Windsor most of her life.

She worked for many years as a cafeteria worker with the West Windsor-Plainsboro School District.

She is survived by a son, Todd of Tuckerton; a daughter, Betty Deangelo of Florence; two sisters, Rosemary DeLozier of Ewing and Alice Skidmore of Arizona; and a granddaughter.

Graveside service will be held Wednesday, November 22 at 1 a.m. in Princeton Cemetery. All family and friends are welcome to attend.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to The Conserve Wildlife Foundation, P.O. Box 400, Trenton 08625-0400.

Arrangements are under the direction of The Kimble Funeral Home.

Memorial Service

There will be a service of remembrance for Valerie C. O'Dea at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Princeton, 50 Cherry Hill Road, on Saturday, November 25 at 11:30.

All are invited. Memorials may be made to the Valerie C. O'Dea Memorial Fund at The Medical Center of Princeton Foundation, 253 Witherspoon Street, Princeton, 08540-3213.

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Memorial Service

A memorial service for Anthony A. Bernabei, Princeton Class of 1944 and a Trenton native, who died in Fort Worth on September 8, will be held in the Princeton University Chapel on Saturday, November 25, at 2.

GEORGE T. GEARY

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Jacquelyn Grant, Fuller E. Callaway Professor of Systematic Theology at the Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta, will give a public lecture on "Being Broad in the Concrete: Black Women and Race/Gender/Class Contradictions" on November 28 at 4:30. Her lecture is sponsored by the Center for the Study of Religion.

Prof. Grant founded the Black Women in Church and Society Center at the Interdenominational Theological Center in 1981 and has served as its director since then.

Prof. Grant's lecture will take place on Tuesday, November 28, at 4:30 p.m. in Dodds Auditorium, Robertson Hall.

Eastern Orthodox Lectures December 2 in Princeton

The Very Rev. Thomas Hopko, Dean of St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary, Crestwood, N.Y., will give two lectures on Saturday, December 2 on the theme "The Holistic Significance of Advent and the Nativity in Orthodoxy."

The event is sponsored by Mother of God Orthodox Mission, Rocky Hill, SS. Peter and Paul Orthodox Church in Manville, the Orthodox Chaplaincy at Princeton University, and the Center of Theological Inquiry in Princeton.

Fr. Hopko will speak at the Center of Theological Inquiry, 50 Stockton Street, beginning at 9:30 a.m. His first lecture will be on "Christ the Incarnation of God as Church and World in the Liturgical Seasons of Advent and the Nativity." The second lecture will focus on "Christ the Incarnation of God as the Spiritual and Psychological Transformation of Human Personhood."

A reasonably priced lunch will be provided. After lunch and discussion there will be an Orthodox Vesperal Service sung with choir. The program will close at 3.

Admission is free. For further information call John Perkins 921-2289.

Jacquelyn Grant

Obituaries

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Helen Beatrice Stuart, nee McClure Smith, 94, died November 7. She lived for the past nine years at Brookhaven in Lexington, Mass.

She was born in Melbourne, Australia, and lived for many years in London, England. In 1939 she married Duane Reed Stuart Jr., and moved to Princeton. After some years in Washington, D.C., during the war, and subsequently in Rye, N.Y., she and her family returned in 1959 to Princeton, where she became very active as a volunteer at the Princeton Hospital and as a reader at Recording for the Blind.

Summers were spent in Greensboro, Vermont, throughout her married life. She moved to Lexington a year after her husband's death in 1990, and she spent several weeks for a number of winters in Davis, California.

She is survived by her daughters, Emilie M. Stuart of Arlington, Massachusetts, and Helen W. S. Twiss of Davis, Calif.; two grandsons; and two great-grandchildren.

Donations in her memory may be sent to Recording for the Blind and Dyslexic, 36A Hibben Road, Princeton, 08540.

Bulletin Notes

Princeton Church of Christ, 33 River Road, will hold divorce recovery support groups Friday, December 1 and 22, at 7:30 p.m.

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